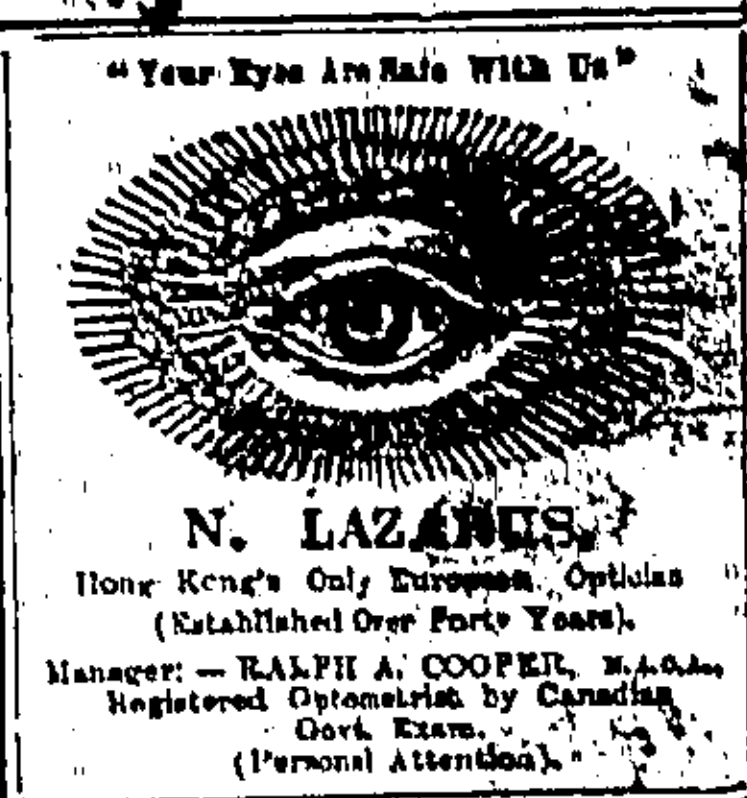


ON'S
CIOUS
O.K.
SAUCE.

Hongkong Daily Press.

ESTABLISHED 1857.

Registered as a Newspaper at the General Post Office in the United Kingdom.



PRICE: \$3 PER MONTH

No. 21,697 號第拾玖百陸陸千壹第 日五初月正辰戊 HONG KONG, FRIDAY, JANUARY 27th, 1928. 伍拜禮 日柒廿月登年八廿百九千壹英

KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY.

TIME-TABLE.

WEEKS DAYS.

	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Kowloon ...Dep.	6.40	8.05	9.10	10.00	12.00	1.15	2.15	4.35	5.43
Yammat ...Dep.	6.49	8.20	9.25	10.15	12.07	1.22	2.22	4.42	5.50
Shatin ...Dep.	7.01	8.32	9.37	10.27	12.19	1.34	2.34	4.54	6.02
Taipei ...Dep.	7.16	8.47	9.52	10.42	12.34	1.49	2.49	5.09	6.17
Taipei Market Dep.	7.20	8.51	9.56	10.46	12.38	1.53	2.53	5.13	6.21
Fanning ...Dep.	7.30	9.01	10.06	10.56	12.48	2.03	3.03	5.23	6.31
Shuenghui ...Dep.	7.35	9.06	10.11	11.01	12.53	2.08	3.08	5.28	6.36
Shuenghui ...Arr.	7.41	9.12	10.17	11.07	1.00	2.10	3.10	5.30	6.38
Canton ...Arr.	11.50	5.38							

	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Canton ...Dep.	7.18	8.05	9.10	10.00	11.37	2.38	4.41	5.49	6.24
Shuenghui ...Dep.	7.23	8.10	9.15	10.05	11.42	2.43	4.46	5.54	6.29
Yammat ...Dep.	7.30	8.17	9.22	10.12	11.49	2.50	4.53	6.01	6.36
Fanning ...Dep.	7.40	8.27	9.32	10.22	12.00	3.01	5.04	6.12	6.47
Taipei ...Dep.	7.44	8.31	9.36	10.26	12.04	3.05	5.08	6.16	6.51
Taipei Market Dep.	7.48	8.35	9.40	10.30	12.08	3.09	5.12	6.20	6.55
Shatin ...Dep.	7.57	8.44	9.49	10.39	12.17	3.18	5.21	6.29	7.04
Shuenghui ...Dep.	8.01	8.48	9.53	10.43	12.21	3.22	5.25	6.33	7.08
Shuenghui ...Arr.	8.07	8.54	9.59	10.49	12.27	3.28	5.31	6.39	7.14
Kowloon ...Arr.	11.50	5.38							

SUNDAYS AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS.

	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Kowloon ...Dep.	6.40	8.05	9.10	10.00	12.00	1.15	2.15	4.35	5.43
Yammat ...Dep.	6.49	8.20	9.25	10.15	12.07	1.22	2.22	4.42	5.50
Shatin ...Dep.	7.01	8.32	9.37	10.27	12.19	1.34	2.34	4.54	6.02
Taipei ...Dep.	7.16	8.47	9.52	10.42	12.34	1.49	2.49	5.09	6.17
Taipei Market Dep.	7.20	8.51	9.56	10.46	12.38	1.53	2.53	5.13	6.21
Fanning ...Dep.	7.30	9.01	10.06	10.56	12.48	2.03	3.03	5.23	6.31
Shuenghui ...Dep.	7.35	9.06	10.11	11.01	12.53	2.08	3.08	5.28	6.36
Shuenghui ...Arr.	7.41	9.12	10.17	11.07	1.00	2.10	3.10	5.30	6.38
Canton ...Arr.	11.50	5.38							

	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Canton ...Dep.	7.18	8.05	9.10	10.00	11.37	2.38	4.41	5.49	6.24
Shuenghui ...Dep.	7.23	8.10	9.15	10.05	11.42	2.43	4.46	5.54	6.29
Yammat ...Dep.	7.30	8.17	9.22	10.12	11.49	2.50	4.53	6.01	6.36
Fanning ...Dep.	7.40	8.27	9.32	10.22	12.00	3.01	5.04	6.12	6.47
Taipei ...Dep.	7.44	8.31	9.36	10.26	12.04	3.05	5.08	6.16	6.51
Taipei Market Dep.	7.48	8.35	9.40	10.30	12.08	3.09	5.12	6.20	6.55
Shatin ...Dep.	7.57	8.44	9.49	10.39	12.17	3.18	5.21	6.29	7.04
Shuenghui ...Dep.	8.01	8.48	9.53	10.43	12.21	3.22	5.25	6.33	7.08
Shuenghui ...Arr.	8.07	8.54	9.59	10.49	12.27	3.28	5.31	6.39	7.14
Kowloon ...Arr.	11.50	5.38							

* FIRST CLASS ONLY.

For further information may be obtained at the RAILWAY OFFICES, KOWLOON, or from Messrs. The Chinese & Sons, Ltd., HONG HONG, or from THE AMERICAN EXPRESS COMPANY, HONG KONG.

R. BAKER, Manager.

HONG KONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMERS.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE HONG KONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., AND THE CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

CANTON LINE.

Sailings from Hong Kong: Daily, at 8 A.M. & 12 (Sundays MID-NIGHT 12 M.N. only)
Sailings from Canton: Daily, at 8 A.M. & 4 P.M. (Sundays 4 P.M. only)

MACAO LINE.

From Hong Kong: 8 A.M. & 2 P.M. (Week days only)
From Macao: 8 A.M. & 2 P.M. (Week days only).
EXCURSION TO MACAO.
Hong Kong to Macao: SUNDAY, 29th JANUARY.
9.00 A.M. "SHI AN"
RETURN SALOON PASSAGE FARE: \$5.00.

THE STANDARD LIFE ASSURANCE CO.

Assurance by Monthly Payments. Benefits of Life Assurance brought within reach of those to whom the payment of a large sum yearly, half-yearly or as may be conveniently arranged.

DODWELL & CO., LTD

AGENTS,
2, QUEEN'S BUILDING

UNDERWOOD TYPEWRITERS

STANDARD, QUIET AND PORTABLE MODELS

REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE WORK ARE OUR SPECIALITY.

KEELOX brand of Typewriter ribbons in air-sealed tins for all standard makes of machines always in stock.

SOLE AGENTS

DODWELL & CO., LTD. 1030, C.

SOLE AGENTS FOR—RONEO OFFICE APPLIANCES.

SAFE-CABINET SAFES,
BURROUGHS ADDING MACHINES.

Our London Letter.

CHRISTMAS AT HOME.

OLD FASHIONED WEATHER.

GOOD CHEER AND GOOD WILL.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

LONDON, Dec. 31st.
Before the Christmas holiday we had writers in the Press expressing the hope that there would be plenty of frost and snow so that for once in a way we should experience the delights of "an old-fashioned Christmas." They wanted a Christmas like that which is depicted in the illustrated papers as the season comes round, with stage coaches "snowed up," and passengers sitting on the top with heavy mufflers round their necks, and a church or farmhouse half buried in a mantle of glittering whiteness. There was small prospect that the wish would be realised up till Christmas night, as the weather was wet. But when darkness fell it began to snow, and snowed all night so that Boxing Day dawned on a country that had been transformed as by a magician.

Snow And A Blizzard.
It snowed on Boxing Day, also, and there was in addition a driving wind from the east, which in many parts of the country assumed the force of a blizzard. The result was that travellers by road in motor cars and motor buses ran into snow drifts where the vehicles became imbedded. In some cases, the unhappy folk who started in the late afternoon had to spend the night out of doors, some in the motor, and others more fortunate in wayside inns or cottages, to which they struggled as best they could. There were snow drifts in many places twenty feet deep. The newspapers have been full of accounts of the experiences of motorists in the snow. There have also been pictures leaving no doubt about the "old-fashioned Christmas" touch, but the travellers concerned pray that they may never see anything of the kind again.

Villages Cut Off.
In the Home Counties many villages have been cut off from all contact with the outside world since Christmas night, when the snow-storm began. It is so seldom that such extraordinary conditions are encountered in the South of England that nobody in that part of the country will ever forget this Christmas. The visitation found people unprepared. The only Home Counties village that seems to have been equipped with snow machines for dealing with heavy snowstorms are still kept along the old coaching roads. But even there the drifts were too deep to be tackled. In Surrey, on the Hog's Back, motor cars were abandoned in drifts twelve feet deep; and there is a story of a small two-seater that is still missing as it was five days after Christmas. The Hog's Back is of course the long high ridge that runs from Guildford to Farnham, and the fury of the blizzard must have been terrific in this bleak place.

Parcels From Abroad.
The Post Office report an increase in the number of parcels from abroad that had to be dealt with this Christmas. There is the usual complaint of badly packed parcels, which burst open while they are being handled. The general result is to disclose to the officials the remarkable assortment and variety of presents that are sent through the post at the festive season. When the sorters attempt to repack half-open packages they sometimes find that they are dealing with such disconcerting things as escaping live snakes, frogs or butterflies (the last mentioned have to be chased all over the office) or perhaps a revolver full of live cartridges. Snakes have a way of becoming lively when the box is opened. Forewarned are the chief offenders in this respect. They do not appreciate the fact that it is against the rules to send live creatures through the post in this country. (Continued on next column.)

AMERICAN NAVY HOAXED.

"A SALVAGE EXPERT."

DECEIVES ADMIRAL AND UNMASKED BY PRESS.

New York, Dec. 30th.

A hoax on the American Navy, recalling the Kippenick cobbler's hoax on the German Army, has been perpetrated by Charles Shambaugh, a motor-car garage owner, of Lafayette, Indiana.

He never saw a diver in his life, and had only once been in a boat, yet secured an invitation as an "expert" to help raise the sunken submarine S-4 from Rear-Admiral Frank Brumby, in charge of the S-4 salvage fleet.

Shambaugh telegraphed to Admiral Brumby offering his services as a civilian specialist. The admiral replied with an invitation, placed a Government ship at Shambaugh's disposal, had him to dinner as guest in the flagship off Provincetown, feted him, gave him officer's quarters overnight, and permitted him to use the admiral's motor-car.

Reporters' Questions.
Shambaugh inspected the salvage work and told the admiral that it could not be improved. Shambaugh's real status became known today when he arrived at Boston with a yard with important-looking suitcases, preceded by a telegram from Admiral Brumby inviting newspaper reporters to interview him.

The reporters quickly discovered Shambaugh's complete ignorance of salvage matters, and when he said he came East, he replied, "Pure idle curiosity."
Shambaugh then explained that Admiral Brumby's telegram to him was so cordial that he could not resist. "I could not have been treated better if I had been Rockefeller."

Newspapers say Shambaugh "hoaxed the American Navy for the day." They cannot understand why Admiral Brumby did not discover Shambaugh's lack of knowledge. The incident is most harmful to the U.S. Navy Department, which is being criticised bitterly for its inefficiency in not rescuing the men imprisoned in the S-4.

The Spirit Of Good Will.

As usual in England there was an abundance of good cheer for people in hospital, and in fact every public institution at Christmas. It is one of the most agreeable things in connection with the great festival that year by year the old and the poor are not forgotten. They are feted and tended, and no effort is too much to make them happy. It is true to say this of London and the country generally. A typical instance was the treat to 1,200 of the poorest little boys in London who were given a real banquet at the Guildhall. The Lord Mayor and the Sheriff attended in their robes of State, and together with the Mayors of all the Metropolitan boroughs formed a procession round the hall headed by the City Marshal and the Mace Bearer. The shrill cheers of delight by the youngsters was something to hear and remember. Most of the small guests of the City were orphans, and the King sent a telegram wishing them a happy time.

Civil Service Hours.

I hear that the Civil Service, or a portion of it, is disgruntled over the proposed action of a group of Members of Parliament, who are proposing, in the name of economy, to make an eight hour day the standard throughout the Service. The question is to be raised when Parliament reassembles. The majority of Civil Servants now work eight hours a day, but about 40,000 are only required to put in seven hours at the office. It is the seven hour men who are unhappy at the prospect of more work.

DIARY OF EVENTS.

Today.

Interport Golf: Hong Kong v. Shanghai (Foursomes).
U.S.R.C. Tennis Tournament. Semi-finals of open events.
Ten Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.; Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, 4.30-6.30 p.m.; Cafe Regent, 5-6.30 p.m.
Hockey: Club "A" v. Club de Recreo, King's Park, 5 p.m.; Y.M.C.A. v. Punjabis III, Reception at the Hotel Mr. E. D. C. Wolf, C.M.G., Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, 5.15 p.m.
Reception at Club Lusitano to Students of Liceu Central de Macao, 5.30 p.m.
Cafe Regent dinner dance, 8 p.m.
St. Peter's Church Young Men's Club annual meeting, 8.30 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "College."
World Theatre: "The Gold Rush."
Star Theatre: "The Wedding Song."

Saturday.

Bankruptcy Court, 10.30 a.m.
Interport Golf: Manila v. Shanghai (Foursomes and Singles).
Fishing Hunt: Drag Hunt. Meet at Mr. Post's Bungalow, 2.45 p.m.
Yachting: Reserved for rental or for other race for racing classes.
American Lawn Tennis Tournament at Ladies' Recreation Club.
Cricket League: Division I: C.S.C.C. v. I.R.C. "A"; Royal Navy v. Kowloon C.C. Division II: Kowloon C.C. v. R.A.O.C.; Police R.C. v. Tamar.
Friendly Cricket: University 2nd XI v. C.S.C.C. 2nd XI.
Football League: Division I: Queen's v. South China; Scots Guards v. Club; Recreo v. Kowloon; Royal Artillery v. Police; Chinese Athletic v. K.O.S.B. Division II: K.O.S.B. v. Division; Royal Artillery v. South China "A"; Kowloon v. Recreo v. South China "B"; Club v. St. Joseph's; Chinese Athletic v. University.
Tennis: Liceu Central de Macao v. Club de Recreo.
Ten Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, 4.30-6.30 p.m.
Cafe Regent and King Edward Hotel dinner dances, 8 p.m.
Royal Artillery Association (Hong Kong Branch) dance at Seamen's Institute, 8 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "College."
World Theatre: "The Gold Rush."
Star Theatre: "The Wedding Song."

Sunday.

4th Sunday after Epiphany.
Interport Golf: Hong Kong v. Manila (Singles).
Fishing Hunt: K.O.S.B. Gymkhana.
Yachting: 4th Championship race for cruisers.
3rd Annual Masonic Service, St. John's Cathedral, 6 p.m.
Theosophical Society Lecture, Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, 6 p.m.
Cheer O' Y.M.C.A.: Men's Meeting, 7.45 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "The Irresistible Lover."
World Theatre: "Way Down East."
Star Theatre: "The Desert's Toll."

Monday.

Interport Golf: Hong Kong v. Shanghai (Singles).
Interport Football Teams (Soccer and Rugby) due.
Nominations close for election of Justice of the Peace as Member of the Legislative Council.
Ten Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.; Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, 4.30-6.30 p.m.; Cafe Regent, 5-6.30 p.m.
Hockey: Army v. R.A.F. (Sim Shield).
The Dean and Mrs. Swann "at Home," St. John's Cathedral Hall, 4.30-5.30 p.m.
Annual Meeting of St. John's Cathedral Seafarers and Subscribers, Cathedral Hall, 5.30 p.m.
Extraordinary General General United Services Recreation Club (for members only), 8 p.m.
Interport Golf Dinner, Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, 8.15 p.m.
Cafe Regent dinner dance, 8 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "Ben Hur."

THE HONGKONG

MACGREGOR'S V.O.S. WHISKY.

Telegraphic Address: "KREMLIN, HONGKONG."

AND SHANGHAI

ASTOR HOUSE HOTEL, PALACE HOTEL, MAJESTIC HOTEL

Telegraphic Address: "CENTRAL, SHANGHAI."

HOTELS LIMITED.

In association with the GRAND HOTEL DE WAGONS LITS, PARIS.

KING EDWARD HOTEL.

Most Modern and Central Hotel in the Colony, all Bed Rooms, newly renovated and installed with Box Spring Beds, Hot and Cold Water, also Telephone. All Trains pass in front of Hotel. Most Moderate Rates in the Colony.

Hotel Launch meets all Steamers. Dining Room and Lounge is now open to the Public.

THE KING EDWARD HOTEL BAND

WILL PLAY AS UNDER—

TIFFIN HOURS: DINNER HOURS 1 to 2. 7.30 to 9.

DINNER DANCING SATURDAYS: 8.00 to 12.00 P.M.

TEA DANCING MONDAY TO FRIDAY.

(Thirty Tiffin Tickets for \$25 can be obtained at the Office of the above Hotel).

Tel. Add: "VICTORIA"

Telephone: No. C. 373.

J. H. WITCHELL, Manager.

The Only Hotel in CANTON Directly under European Management.

THE VICTORIA HOTEL

Guides and Trips arranged for and special Cars taken of TOURISTS

Cable Address: "VICTORIA."

PALACE HOTEL.

Tel. F. No. 3. Tel. Ad: "PALACE."

Three Minutes from Kowloon Wharf, Ferry Wharf and Railway Station.

Entirely under English Management Electric Light and Fans Throughout.

EVERY ROOM WITH PRIVATE BATH.

Lounge, Bar and Billiard Rooms Unrivalled Cuisine under the personal supervision of the Proprietress.

TERMS MODERATE.

Special Terms to Families or Applications to—

Mrs. J. H. OXBERRY, Proprietress.

44]

SERVICE TO READERS.

THE HONG KONG DAILY PRESS, LTD., and the HONG KONG WEEKLY PRESS, through their London Office, at 21, BAILEY LANE, FLEET STREET, E.C. 4, are prepared to give Subscribers and Visitors advice regarding accommodation available, including facilities, suitable shopping centres, etc.

If, when at home, they will call or telephone to the above address, they will receive the utmost assistance and the latest available information on all subjects of enquiry will be placed at their disposal.

MACGREGOR'S V.O.S. WHISKY.

WHISKY.

The Connoisseurs' Choice.

FOR SALE

GIBBONS' STAMP MONTHLY

FOR OCTOBER, NOVEMBER & DECEMBER, 1927.

THE FIRST POSTAGE STAMPS OF HONG KONG (WITH PLATE).

GRACA & CO.

DEALERS IN PHILATELIC GOODS, PICTORIAL POST CARDS, STAMPS, ETC.

No. 10, WYNDHAM STREET, P.O. Box No. 630. HONG KONG.

SPORTING.

GUNS by W. W. GREENER, WEBLEY and SCOTT, and Other Makers—British, French and American.

B.S.A. Air Rifles, and Miniature Rifles, 22 Calibre, Repeating and Automatic.

SPORTING CARTRIDGES of all descriptions.

Agents for W. W. GREENER LTD., BIRMINGHAM.

HONG KONG SPORTING ARMS AND AMMUNITION STORE.

6, BRIDGEFIELD ARCADE.

COMPREHENSIVE AND COMPLETE REPERT.

of the

NEWS OF THE FAR EAST

is given in the

"HONG KONG WEEKLY PRESS,"

with which is incorporated

"THE CHINA OVERLAND TRADE REPORT."

30 Cents per Copy.

Subscription, paid in advance—per annum for delivery in Hong Kong—\$12; including Postage to any part of the world—\$15.

A REAL DRINK "BOAR'S HEAD" BRAND



GUINNESS FOREIGN EXTRA

STOUT

A WORLD-WIDE REPUTATION

SOLE AGENTS:
GANDÉ, PRICE & CO., LTD.,
ST. GEORGE'S BUILDING, ICE HOUSE STREET.
Tel. Central No. 135. Hong Kong.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT Co., Ltd.

Best Portland Cement.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.

GENERAL MANAGERS,
HONGKONG.

SORE THROAT THE ENEMY!



EVANS' PASTILLES are a sure relief against all winter ailments such as Cough, Sore Throat, Cold, etc. Their antiseptic vapour penetrates into the mucous cavities of the nose, throat and chest, killing all germs and quickly soothing the inflamed organs.

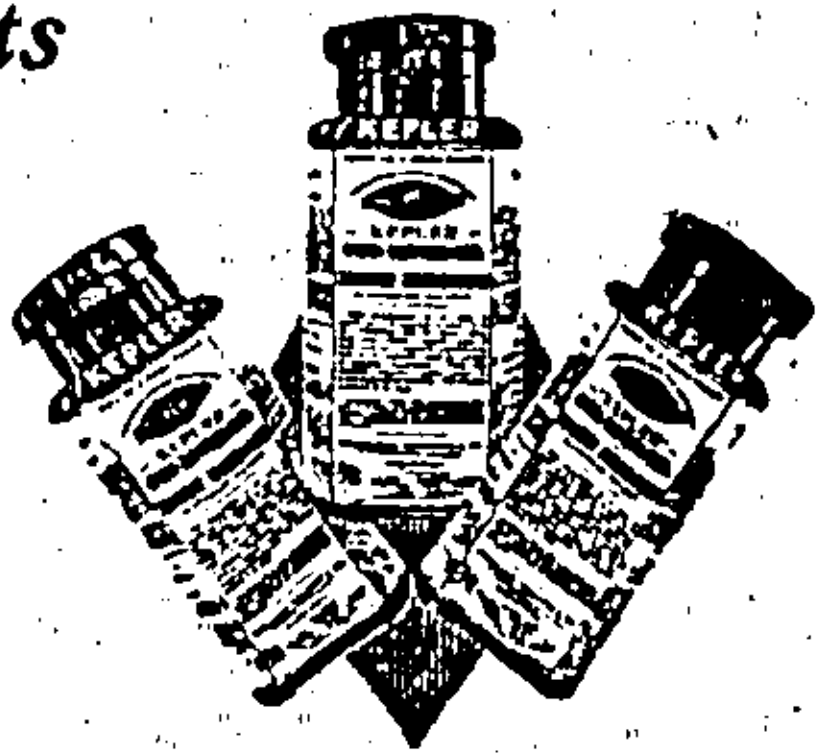
EVANS' Pastilles

ANTISEPTIC THROAT PASTILLES

Made in England and sold by Chemists everywhere.

Convalescents of all ages

need easily assimilated nourishment, which will put on weight and quickly restore them to normal health. The well-advised buy



'KEPLER'
Cod Liver Oil with Malt Extract

Bottles of two sizes All Chemists and Stores

To keep your skin in health

'HAZELINE' SNOW

(Trade Mark)

Glass pots All Chemists and Stores

BURROUGHS WELLCOME & CO.
(Incorporated in the United Kingdom)
LONDON AND SHANGHAI

42 1927



A Welcome Visitor

at any time in every household. Every Bug, Flea, Beetle, Moth, Fly, etc., dies once it has come into proper contact with

KEATING'S



BEN-HUR

Coming to the
QUEEN'S
Monday, January 30th.

DEAN SYMONS OF SHANGHAI.

ONE OF THE MOST LOVABLE OF MEN.

The North-China Daily News of last Friday contains a warm appreciation, from which we give the following extracts, of the life and work of the late Dean Symons of Shanghai, whose death last week was reported in a Reuter cable published in our issue of last Friday:

The Very Reverend Dean Charles John Symons died at 10.45 a.m. yesterday (Thursday) in his residence, the Deanery of Holy Trinity Cathedral, following an attack of influenza and pneumonia.

Dean Symons, who was about 63 years old, was born in Greenwich, the son of Captain E. C. Symons, R.N. He was educated at Plymouth College, St. John's College, Cambridge, and Ridley Hall Theological College.

In 1887 he was appointed dean at Colchester and the same year came to China and was stationed in Ningpo, a member of the Church Missionary Society, later holding the office of secretary for the C.M.S. Chekiang Mission. He came to Shanghai in 1894 and his posts have included at various times during his distinguished career, that of secretary C.M.S. Diocese of Mid-China; examining chaplain to the Bishop of Chekiang; Honorary assistant Chaplain Holy Trinity Cathedral, port chaplain and sub-dean of the Cathedral before he was instituted Dean in April, 1920.

A Life Of Service.

In October of 1920 Dean Symons went home for a short leave and it is a noteworthy and striking tribute to him to record that since that time he had refused to take other leave from his work.

From three generations or more of seafaring and shipping people the late Dean inherited a great love of the sea and out of this grew also his deep interest in the welfare of Missions to Seamen, a work in which his guiding hand has been felt in Shanghai. It was on board the ship commanded by his father that the late Dean learnt carpentry which became a hobby with him and here in Shanghai, he was able to indulge in his hobby and workshop fixed up at the Deanery where he occasionally found time free from the calls and worries of his duties to humanity to immerse himself in this form of relaxation.

He stood high in Masonic circles. He was Grand Senior Warden of the District Grand Lodge of North China and District Grand Chaplain of the same lodge for a number of years. At the time of his death he held the post of chaplain to the Tientsin Lodge of which he had been, also, a member. He had been past principal of the Zion Royal Arch Chapter and a past master of the Orient Mark Lodge, and he held rank in the Grand Lodge of England.

The Community's Affection.

There was scarcely any social or public function which the late Dean did not attend and at which he was not looked upon as a honoured guest. At the time of his death he was President of St. George's Society, and before he had served as almoner for the Society.

Another instance of the devotion which the community felt for him was shown last June when a token of its great appreciation for his work and of deep affection, subscribers presented him with a motor car, which he needed especially in conducting his work.

He was surely one of the most lovable and sympathetic of men as his many friends in Shanghai can testify and possessed of a great charm of manner. During his long term of work in this port, it is characteristic of him that he has never been known to speak a harsh word or pass an unkind remark. Here indeed was one of the true examples of a Christian and an English gentleman, Christian before all else, and there will be few in Shanghai who will not feel his loss very deeply.

MARRIAGE DANCER YEARS.

LAWYER'S VIEWS ON THE MOST DIFFICULT PERIODS.

PARIS, Dec. 27th.
"The first year of marriage and the years from the fifteenth to the twentieth are the most difficult." This is the conclusion, after ten years' study, of Mr. L. F. Nafziger, one of the most prominent American lawyers in Paris, who has figured in many noted divorce suits.

"If a couple live through the first year without too much discord," says Mr. Nafziger, "their chances of staying married all their lives are quite 70 per cent."

"If their marriage lasts over five years, they will more than likely stay married till after fifteen to twenty years. If they go over twenty years, they have a 90 per cent. possibility of staying out of the divorce court."

CHANGING RUSSIA.

NEW ECONOMIC MOVE.

COMING TO TERMS WITH CAPITAL.

[By F. A. MACKENZIE.]

The decision of the Russian Communist Party Congress to seek fresh economic relations with the outside world, to come to terms, if possible, with capital, and to encourage more foreign experts to improve production, is the most important development of the Soviet State that has taken place since the introduction of the New Economic Policy in 1921.

The N.E.P. marked the beginning of the end of strict Communism. The new move means the beginning of the end of dictation by the workers, which has been one of the foundation principles of the Communist State. What is coming is a system of State Socialism, highly centralised and oppressively bureaucratic, working more or less in co-operation with big capital.

Seven years ago such a development would have seemed impossible. The Communist programme then included the destruction of capital and capitalism, the smashing up of banks and all the machinery of credit, the suppression of all private trade, wholesale or retail, the abolition of money in favour of a system of exchange of products, and the ending of all private ownership, even of personal clothing and furniture. Factories were to be managed by the workers. This was the official programme.

A New Revolution.

To-day private ownership is constantly extending; banking and credit have been restored; the monetary system has been reformed and stabilised; private trade has returned like a flood; the working man, in place of doing as he pleases, has to earn his bread and do as he is told; small manufactures have been restored to private management, and State factories placed under experts whose business is to make a profit.

In other words, the Russian Government is passing more and more out of the hands of political fanatics into the hands of business administrators. They retain the name, the phraseology, and the machinery of the Communist movement, but they are modifying its whole character. The question still in doubt before this Congress was held was whether the rank and file of the Communist Party would stand such modifications. If the Congress is any test, they welcome it.

There is a long step between the resolutions of the Congress and a modernised and industrially efficient Russia with "enlarged" factories, electric-powered farms, and cheap mass production that will flood the world. The only people who see this coming are those who are unfamiliar with the impractical character of most Russian workers and industrial organisers.

What The Foreign Firms Ask.

Some of the largest foreign firms anxious to do business with Russia ask:

(1) The abolition of the State foreign trade monopoly. This monopoly is the most serious obstacle to normal business, imposing a big official machine between the Russian buyer and the foreign producer. It is no secret that Russia, while obliged, for technical reasons, to support the monopoly, really desired the substitution of a system of licensing and regulating imports from abroad.

(2) The establishment of a regular legal system for generally applying to foreigners engaged in private trade in Russia, in place of elaborate concessions for each separate enterprise, as now.

The Communist Government has officially admitted the loss and hardship suffered by foreign firms, which had their goods seized and business destroyed during the Revolution, but up to now has made the question of compensating these firms contingent on an investigation of the liability of the Allied Powers for the losses caused by their intervention in the civil war. Much will depend on whether it will now treat the two issues separately.—Sunday Times.

BOXING IS "SO DULL."

JUDGE ON THE ONLY FIGHT HE EVER SAW.

"What is a boxing promoter?" asked Judge Sturgess at West London County Court, when Messrs. Perton, of Askew-road, Shepherd's Bush, obtained judgment for £249 for work done for Mr. Harry Jacobs in connection with his boxing tournaments at Olympia.

"What do you do?" the Judge asked of Mr. Jacobs.

Mr. Jacobs replied that he arranged fights between two men.

Judge: And then do you hire Olympia and take the risk whether you fill the seats or not—Yes.

Judge Sturgess: I have only seen one boxing match, and I never went to another because it was so dull.

Mr. Jacobs said he had hired Olympia for two fights, and it cost him £500 a night.

HONG KONG VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS.

[ORDERS BY LT.-COL. L. G. BIRD, D.S.O., COMMANDANT.]

No. 314.

Programme of firing Part I. Table "T" on Stonecutters Range circulated to all concerned with to-day's orders.

1. Stonecutters Range is allotted to the Portuguese Company for firing Part I. on Sunday, February 5th.

2.—Musketry.

Sunday, January 28th, 1928.
Engineers Company, Scottish Company and Casuals will fire Part II. Table "T" at Stonecutters Range. Range Officers: Lieut. R. S. Logan and Capt. K. S. Morrison.

Launce will have Murray Pier at 9 a.m. and call at Kowloon Pier at 9.10 a.m.

Dress: Uniform or multi optional, but rifle, bayonet, pouches, braces and belt must be worn.

Arms will be drawn from Corps Headquarters on Friday, January 27th, 1928, between 9 a.m. and 12 noon, or 2 and 4 p.m., or 5 and 6 p.m.; and on Saturday, January 28th, between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

4.—Casuals.

A large number of all ranks have not yet fired Part II. Lists of names are posted on Corps notice boards. All such will make arrangements to fire by Sunday, January 28th, 1928, the last day on which Part II. will be fired.

5.—Corps Signals.

Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, January 30th, and Thursday, February 2nd, 1928, for Signal Instruction. Dress: Multi.

6.—Artillery Company.

Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.25 p.m. on Thursday, February 2nd, for Battery drill. Signal Section as per programme.

7.—Engineer Company.

Musketry Part II. See order No. 3.

8.—Mounted Infantry Company.

There will be a lecture at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, January 30th, 1928. Subject: "Use of Cover."

The lecture will be followed by a meeting to discuss ginkhana arrangements.

9.—Armoured Car Company.

Car Section: Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, January 30th, 1928, under 2 Lieut. A. C. Groves for formation run and signal practice. Dress: Multi.

Motor Cyclists will parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, January 30th, and proceed to Kennedy Road Range for Machine Gun firing under 2 Lieut. J. E. Hancock.

Thursday, February 2nd; Special parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. under 2 Lieut. Hancock for those previously detailed.

10.—Infantry Company.

No. 1 Platoon will parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 31st, and Friday, February 3rd, 1928, for Machine Gun Instruction. Dress: Multi.

No. 2 Platoon will parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 31st, for Machine Gun Instruction. Dress: Multi, rifle and bayonet.

11.—Scottish Company.

Musketry Part II: All those who have not yet fired must do so on Sunday, January 30th. For particulars see Order No. 3.

Thursday, February 2nd, at 5.30 p.m. All Platoons at Platoon Headquarters for Veterans Gun Instruction. Dress: Multi, rifle and bayonet.

Route March: Thursday, February 2nd. The Company will parade at full strength on above date at Kowloon Ferry and march to Kowloon Dock where, No. 6 Platoon have kindly consented to be "At Home" to Nos. 5 and 7 Platoons.

COMING EVENTS.

Sunday, March 4th, 1928: Shoot against 2nd Batta., K.O.S.B.

Sunday, April 1st, 1928: Inter-Platoon shoot for "Dyer" Cup.

"Quarry Bay" Cup, Guard Mounting, etc., will be competed for at an early and convenient date in March.

Full details of above competitions will be announced later.

12.—Portuguese Company.

Parade on Friday, January 27th, at 5.30 p.m., at Corps Headquarters. Dress: Multi, belt, bayonet for arms and squad drill.

N.C.O.'s and Nos. 1 and 2 of Lewis Gun Sections will parade at Corps Headquarters on Tuesday, January 31st, for Lewis Gun training.

Next Company parade on Friday, February 3rd, 1928.

13.—Reserve Company.

The Machine Gun Class will be held at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Wednesday, February 1st. Dress: Multi.

14.—Strength.

The following recruit is taken on the strength on January 26th, 1928, and posted to the Portuguese Company—No. 1296 Pte. F. A. Castro.

15.—Appointment.
The following extract from the Hong Kong Government Gazette No. 4, dated January 26th, 1928, is published for information:—

"H.E. the Governor has been pleased to appoint Corporal Henry Russell Forsyth to be Second Lieutenant, in the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, with effect from January 14th, 1928."

16.—Promotion.
H.E. the Governor has been pleased to approve of the promotion of Second Lieutenant Robert Spier Logan to the rank of Lieutenant in the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, with effect from January 26th, 1928.

17.—Command.
Lieut. R. S. Logan takes over command of the Engineer Company, Field Section, as from January 26th, 1928, vice Major R. Melville Smith, M.B.E., on leave.

18.—Officers' Mess Committee.
Major H. B. L. Dowbiggin will take over P.M.C. from Captain Sir Eric Stuart Taylor, Bart., O.B.E., as from February 1st, 1928.

Members:—Lieut. A. Addis Martin and 2 Lieut. H. Owen Hughes.

19.—Transfer.
No. 878 Pte. W. Paterson is transferred from the Armoured Car Company to the Reserve Company, as from January 18th, 1928.

20.—Reversion.
No. 531 Corp. W. L. Smith, No. 1 Platoon, reverts to the ranks at his own request, as from December 16th, 1927.

21.—Resignations.
The following are permitted to resign from the Corps on leaving the Colony, from January 18th, 1928:—

No. 980 Pte. J. A. Summers, No. 7 Platoon.

No. 379 Pte. R. W. Stoddart, Reserve Company.

No. 341 Pte. W. J. Brown, Reserve Company.

No. 1149 Pte. S. O. Gregory, No. 2 Platoon.

Having completed three years' service and claimed his discharge, as from January 17th, 1928:—

No. 549 Pte. J. A. H. Plummer, No. 1 Platoon.

R. A. Wolfe Murray, Major, Adjutant, H.K.V.D.C. Hong Kong, January 27th, 1927.

NOTICE.

Portuguese Company Rifle Club.
First shoot of the year will take place at Peak Range on Sunday, January 29th. Firing commences 9 a.m. sharp. Only those detailed by Rifle Club Committee to attend.

Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps Musketry Programme.

PART I. TABLE "T." 1928.
Stonecutters Range.

Sunday, February 5th:—
Portuguese Company.

February 12th:—
Reserve Company.

February 19th:—
Infantry Company.

February 26th:—
Scottish Company.

March 5th:—
Scottish Company.

March 11th:—
Field Section and Corps Signals.

March 18th:—
M.I. and A.C. Companies.

March 25th:—
Reserve Company.

April 1st:—
Scottish Company.

April 8th:—
Rifle Meeting.

Monday, April 9th:—
Rifle Meeting.

Sunday, April 15th:—
Artillery Company.

April 22nd:—
Portuguese Company.

April 29th:—
Infantry Company.

May 6th:—
Artillery Company.

May 13th:—
Field Section and Corps Signals.

May 20th:—
M.I. and A.C. Companies.

May 27th:—
Casuals.

R. A. Wolfe Murray, Major, Adjutant, H.K.V.D.C. Hong Kong, January 27th, 1927.

EXCHANGE RATES.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Rugby, Jan. 25th.

Paris 124

Brussels 34.90

Amsterdam 12.04

Berlin 20.44

Copenhagen 18.20

Vienna 24.575

Helsingfors 18.93

Lisbon 21

Bucharest 700

Buenos Aires 477

New York 4.87.15/32

Geneva 25.311

Milan 52.10

Stockholm 18.16

Oslo 18.315

Prague 194

Madrid 28.025

Athens 38.1

Rio 5.30.32

Bombay 1/8.1/16

Yokohama 1/11.1/16

Shanghai Holiday

Hong Kong 2/04

Silver (spot) 26.3/16

Silver (forward) 26.1/16

THE
TYPEWRITER
THAT
INTERESTED
H.M.
THE KING.

It is now a matter of interest to all users of Typewriters to know that this Machine can be obtained in Hong Kong.

THE "IMPERIAL"
TYPEWRITER

is a Machine that embodies all the latest improvements, and it is not only better but also cheaper than other Typewriters of Foreign Make.

Demonstrations will be given at any time at the

Sole Agents:

T. E. GRIFFITH, LTD.

6, Queen's Rd. Central. Tel. C. 3517

[A.P.A.]

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

JANUARY 26TH, 1928.

JANUARY 28TH, 1938.

H.K. Bank	.....\$1,500 buy. & sa.
Do. London	.....21.94
Chartered Bank	.....22.14 buy.
Mercantile Bank, A. & B.	.....23.24 nom.
Do.	.....24.14 nom.
P. & O. Bank	.....21.0 nom.
East Asia Bank	.....23.74 buy.
Canton Insurance	.....\$500 buy.
Union Insurance	.....\$300 buy, 301 sa.
North China Ins.	.....\$300 buy, 301 sa.
Yangtze Insurance	.....M. \$447 buy.
China Underwriters	.....\$2.40 sel.
China Fire Insurance	.....\$2.40 sel.
Hong Kong Fire Ins.	.....\$2.40 sel.
Do.	.....\$2.40 sel.
Swambo Bank	.....\$2.53 nom.
H.K. Tugs	.....\$2.53 nom.
Indo-China (Prof.)	.....\$2.53 buy.
Do. (Def.)	.....\$40 nom.
Shell Transports	.....\$5/- nom.
Waterboats	.....\$18 buy.
Banquet	.....\$24 nom.
Kailas Mining Ad.	.....\$6/- nom.
Lan-tai (China) Ltd.	.....T.S. 184 buy.
Do. (single)	.....T.S. 184 buy.
S'hai. Exports	.....T.S. 2.85 buy.
Shanghai Loans	.....T.S. 6.10 buy.
Raabe	.....\$4 buy.
Troch Mitsui	.....217/8 buy.
H. K. & W. Ellis	.....\$129/4
H.K. & W. Ellis	.....\$414 buy, 42 sa.
China Providents	.....\$17.75, 41/4 sa.
Hongtze	.....\$17.75, 41/4 sa.
New Engineering	.....T.S. 5.00 buy.
Shanghai Docks	.....T.S. 894 nom.
Ove Cottons	.....T.S. 74 buy.
Oriental	.....T.S. 2 nom.
Shanghai Cottons (old),	.....\$44 buy.
Do. (new),	.....T.S. 224 buy.
H.K. & S. Hotel	.....\$17.75, 41/4 sa.
H.K. & S. Hotel	.....\$24 buy.
Shanghai Lands	.....T.S. 127 buy.
Humphreys Estates	.....\$14 buy.
Hong Kong Realities	.....\$8.45 buy.
Do.	.....\$8/60 sa.
H.K. Territorial	.....\$11 nom.
B.E.C. Tramways	.....\$244 buy, 25 sa.
Peak Tram (old)	.....\$11 nom.
Do. (new),	.....\$7 sel.
Star Ferries	.....\$83 buy, 83/64 sa.
China Lights (comb.)	.....\$15 buy.
Do. (old)	.....\$102 buy.
Do. (new)	.....\$71 buy.
H.K. Electric	.....\$699 buy.
Do.	.....\$10/69 sa.
Macao Electric	.....\$34 buy.
Telephone	.....\$430 buy. & sa.
China Buses	.....T.S. 69 nom.
Singapore Traction	.....11/8 nom.
China Sugars	.....\$91 sel.
Malabon Sugars	.....\$271 nom.
Canton Cements	.....\$91 buy.
Cements (combined)	.....\$10 buy. & sa.
Do. (old)	.....\$10 buy.
Do. (new)	.....\$11 buy, 2 sa.
H.K. Roper (old)	.....\$74 buy.
Do. (new)	.....\$2 buy.
United Asbestos	.....\$10 sel.
Dairy Farms	.....\$18 buy.
Deer A. Wings	.....\$14.40 buy.
China Oxen	.....\$6 buy.
Macintoshes	.....\$22 sel.
Do.	.....\$74 buy.
Wm. Powells	.....\$5 nom.
H.K. Amusements	.....\$28 buy.
H.K. Constructions	.....\$14 nom.
Do. (old)	.....\$10 buy.
H.K. Gori. Ltd.	.....\$66 buy.
Buy - buyers; sel - sel; sa - sa;	

**ANCHOR BRAND
PURE MANILA ROPE.**
"THE CORDAGE YOU CAN TRUST."

ESTABLISHED 1854

YNCHAUSTI ROPE FACTORY

MANILA

STOCKS ON HAND OF ALL SIZES ENQUIRIES SOLICITED.
FACTORIES—MANILA P.I.
HONG KONG OFFICE: KING'S BUILDING.
TELEPHONE: CENTRAL 5165. (A.P.B.)

THE IRRESISTIBLE LOVER

**COMING TO THE
QUEEN'S FOR ONE DAY ONLY**
Sunday, January 29th.

The Food of Kings

Court Physicians know the best and see that Royal Babies have the best. That is why Glaxo has been used with success in 5 Royal Nurseries. Only the best is good enough for your baby, for is he not a King to you? Give him Glaxo, the Food that contains everything that will build firm flesh, strong bone and a sound constitution.

Glaxo

The Vitamin Milk-Food

"Builds Bonnie Babies"
W. R. LOXLEY & CO., SOLE AGENTS.

THE NEW FRENCH REMEDY
THERAPION No. 1
THERAPION No. 2
THERAPION No. 3

MARTIN'S PILLS
APIOL & STEEL
Sure and certain for all Female complaints. Every lady should keep a box in the house.
Chemists and Stores sell them throughout the world.
Proprietors:
MARTIN, Chas. & Co., London, England.

UNENTHUSIASTIC MEMBERS.

DIFFICULTIES OF K.B.S.F.P.A.

TO CARRY ON FOR ANOTHER YEAR.

The difficulties of carrying on the work of the Kowloon British School Former Pupils' Association owing to lack of interest by the members, departures from the Colony and other circumstances were referred to by Mr. G. Franklin Nightingale when he presided at the annual general meeting held yesterday in the hall of the Central British School, Kowloon. Among those present were Mr. W. G. Lawson (Hon. Secretary), Mr. E. O. Murphy (Hon. Treasurer), Miss E. Woolley, Miss D. Lyon, Messrs. E. W. Raiton, C. T. Evans, W. Forsyth (members of Committee) and a small number of members.

A report on the year's work was read by the Chairman, and the Honorary Treasurer presented his balance sheet, which was approved by the meeting.

The Chairman asked the members to decide as to the future of the Association, pointing out that he personally would be sorry to see it pass away. After some discussion a proposal to carry on the work of the Association for another year was unanimously agreed to by the meeting.

The ballot for the election of officers for the ensuing season resulted as follows:—

Hon. Secretary: Mr. H. H. Hon. Treasurer: Mr. Moss. Committee: Miss M. Groundwater, Miss E. Woolley, Messrs. Whitley, Kinross and Hedley.

Votes of thanks for the hard work put in by the officers under difficult conditions and others who assisted concluded the meeting.

THE ANNUAL REPORT.

The report, covering a period from April 1st, 1926, to December 31st, 1927, stated, *inter alia*:—

A number of dances were held during the winter season and though not financially successful (a small loss) was suffered, proved most enjoyable functions.

The Association's activities covered a wide field, including cricket, hockey, tennis and water polo.

A commencement at cricket was made last year under the aegis of Mr. C. T. Evans, to whose able efforts members owe a great debt. Rixtures were arranged with the China Light & Power and Hong Kong Electric Recreation Clubs, and matches were also played against the present pupils of the school. From these various encounters much enjoyment was derived.

Opportunity is taken of expressing thanks to the Kowloon Cricket Club for the loan of equipment.

Largely owing to the activity of Miss Woolley and Mr. Rasmussen, hockey games were arranged with local clubs, and keen interest was awakened in this pastime.

A tennis team was entered in the "C" division of the Hong Kong Lawn Tennis Association, and was unfortunate in the number of reverses it sustained. Much hard work was done here by Mr. Raiton.

The courts of the Association at King's Park were kept in good condition and were always available.

In water polo, as in former years, chief interest centred. Two teams were entered in the league, the senior of these ending the season once again as runners-up to the V.R.C., who proved far too good for us.

Prior to the commencement of the league a number of matches were played with naval and army teams. Our thanks are due particularly to the former for the use of the Naval Camber, and to both for the practice afforded.

Proposals for the erection of a pavilion have had the closest attention and ways and means were carefully discussed. A plan was drawn up and submitted for approval to the Government, and estimates of cost obtained. Permission to build a match was granted, but on account of lack of funds the scheme had to be abandoned.

We are very grateful to Messrs. Wood, Ralphs and Wylie for their assistance and advice.

In conclusion the committee regrets to record that little or no interest is displayed in the work of the Association. Every effort has been made on behalf of the members, and it is largely due to non-support that these efforts have been brought to naught. Such a state of affairs is deplorable, and a ruling is desired on the future of the Association.

The balance sheet shows the sum of \$21.12 on the credit side.

AN ATLANTIC INCIDENT.

COURAGEOUS SEAMEN
"HONOURED."

RESCUE FROM SINKING
SCHOONER.

Outward bound from New York for the Far East, the *City of Lahore*, under the command of Captain E. G. Hoppins, sighted on the 30th October last at 5.25 a.m., what proved to be the Newfoundland schooner *Selma Cruiser*, showing a flare, and as they passed, the schooner fired a rocket. Passing under the stern of the schooner, the stowmen hailed her, and received the reply that they wished to be taken off and had no boat of their own. Heavy weather had prevailed for some considerable time and there was still a big sea running. The *City of Lahore* then steamed to windward, and pouring fish oil overboard waited for daylight. At 6.30 a.m. the starboard lifeboat was sent away in charge of the Chief Officer, Mr. J. W. Harris, and took off the six men who comprised the crew of the schooner. One man fell between the vessel and the boat, but was not injured. The ship then steamed to leeward, picked up the boat at 7.33 a.m. and proceeded on her voyage. The wind was from the W.N.W., at the time with a heavy westerly swell, clear weather, ship rolling heavily.

The distressed schooner, sailing from St. John's, N.E., gross tonnage 139, was bound from Lisbon to Newfoundland with a cargo of salt, thirteen days out. Due to the heavy weather encountered, the *Selma Cruiser* was badly strained and leaking so badly that her Captain deemed it advisable to set her on fire before leaving. When last seen the schooner was burning furiously.

In the boat sent away by the *City of Lahore* with the Chief Officer in charge was Mr. S. C. S. Taws, Second Officer, and Quartermasters R. T. Foster, P. A. Walker and A. W. House. The latter, having made a report on the matter to the Liverpool Shipwreck and Humane Society, the following awards have been made in recognition of the good services rendered on this occasion:—To Captain E. G. Hoppins, an illuminated vote of thanks; to Mr. J. W. Harris, Chief Officer, who was in charge of the boat, the Society's silver medal and illuminated vote of thanks; to Mr. S. C. S. Taws, Second Officer, silver medal and vote of thanks; to the seamen who manned the boat, vote of thanks, bronze medal and £1 each.

SO FATALLY PRETTY.

A TYPIST, A FUR COAT, AND A WIFE.

THE SHELTER OF PRISON.

BERLIN, Dec. 24th.

The capable shorthand-typist was fatally pretty and she wanted a fur coat. Her employer, a business man, felt that she really ought to have that coat, but times being what they are, he could not afford to buy one for her. So he stepped round to one of those convenient establishments where they treat one like a friend and let one pay gradually for their attractive goods.

He chose an electric seal cloak, £3 down and £15 on account, and, as he felt, said that he would bring his wife round to see whether she liked it.

He returned with the fatally pretty typist, who was enraptured with the coat, and he paid the £3 and entered into a contract to meet the rest in instalments.

"The gracious lady must sign too," said the salesman. And the typist, who had been given the tip on the way to the shop, scribbled the name of her kind employer's wife on that tiresome contract.

A Frightful Effect.

Times became worse and the business man could not pay the second instalment. The firm then applied to his wife. The effect was frightful. Not only was the domestic peace of the business man changed to a state of war, but the proprietor of the fur shop also denounced his customers to the authorities as forgers.

The fatally pretty typist, in tears, took back the electric seal coat to the shop and pleaded for mercy, but she was told that the law was the law. And so she and her employer had to appear in a Berlin court.

The business man was sent to prison for two months and the fatally pretty typist was fined £2-10s.

The typist burst into tears when she heard the sentence, but her employer was unmoved. He probably preferred Christmas in prison to Christmas at home.

"ARISTOCRAT" OF THE UNDERWORLD.

VARSIITY MAN'S 50 YEARS' FRAUDS.

AGED "SOLICITORS" SENTENCE.

By sentencing a man who calls himself James Montgomery, a bogus solicitor, aged 77, to 12 months' hard labour at the Old Bailey yesterday, the Common Sergeant, Sir Henry Dickens, K.C., has rid society for a time of a leader of the gang of share-pushing pests who, in association with the notorious Jacob Factor, have for several years been defrauding people all over Great Britain.

In the financial underworld of London Montgomery is known as "The Aristocrat." Immaculately attired, he sat in the dock during the five days of his trial completely composed, and every few minutes removed his gold-rimmed pince-nez and combed his silver hair with the glasses.

When the jury returned a verdict of guilty against him on a charge of fraudulent conversion, he extended his pince-nez towards them and murmured "Asses." Another man who was charged with him made a remark to him in the dock, and whispering "I prefer not to talk to you," Montgomery waved away the man—who was acquitted—with a gesture of haughty contempt.

Montgomery first became known to the police 30 years ago, when he called himself John Smith. The authorities have never been able definitely to ascertain his real name, but they know that he is a member of the distinguished Scottish school and university education.

Under various names he has served eight sentences of imprisonment, including two of seven years' penal servitude, and on all occasions his appearance altered completely soon after he had served the sentence.

The photographs of him at Scotland Yard show him sometimes clean-shaven, on other occasions with a wealth of grey side-whiskers and beard, and at other times with a magnificent silver moustache.

Bogus Lawyer.

Throughout his 50 years of crime Montgomery has invariably posed as a solicitor, and for this deception he has twice been convicted. Part of his schemes has always been to attach himself to a legal firm, and so cleverly has he used the connections thus formed for his own benefit that in every case the principal of the firm has been struck off the roll when the enterprising engineer by Montgomery came to light.

For some time early this century Montgomery was employed by a solicitor named Robert Mason, and when Mason was struck off, Montgomery began to use the name Mason, and as a member of what he styled the firm of Mason, Son and Mason of Great Tower-street, he was convicted several times.

Other legal firms' names he has used are Robert Turnbull, F. Clark and Son, and Messrs. Hodgkinson, but the first occasion on which he blossomed out in connection with company share transfer work was 16 years ago, when from offices in Chancery-lane he issued letters and statements as secretary of the British Industrial and Investors' Association.

Will Swindle.

Perhaps the most amazing swindle in which Montgomery has been concerned was one in connection with a will under which two brothers were to share £157,000 on the death of their grandmother. One brother lived in Italy and the other wished to raise several thousand pounds on the reversionary interest.

A money-lender, who advanced money asked for a deed to the effect that if one of the brothers was struck off of the will the other would share the large legacy with him.

A confederate was introduced and he posed as the brother in Italy and signed the deed. An attempt was then made to induce money-lenders to part with a further £70,000, but it failed, and for the part he played in the fraud Montgomery served a term of penal servitude.

It was stated by the police that Montgomery had refused to give information regarding his activities since he last left prison in 1923. The files at Somerset House reveal, however, that during that period he has been controlling two companies, British Estates and Commerce, Ltd., and A. A. Lucas and Co., Ltd. The present condition of British Estates was referred to in court, and at 45, Chancery-lane, E.C., a *Daily Mail* reporter found that the registered office of the company was described on a door as being within the premises of W. Drake and Co.

At Somerset House the directors of the company are shown to be Montgomery, Millicent Montgomery, and William Drake. In the *London Gazette* of September 22nd last it was intimated that William Drake, who was witness at the trial of 45, Chancery-lane, and Ilford, Essex, had been struck off the roll of solicitors—*Daily Mail*.

The frozen faced comedian in a riot of laughs—



BUSTER KEATON
In
COLLEGE

Better Even Than "Battling Butler"

AT THE **QUEEN'S** TO-DAY AND TO-MORROW
At 2.30, 5.10, 7.15 and 9.20.

The most famous comedy yet filmed—

CHARLIE CHAPLIN
In
THE GOLD RUSH
AT THE **WORLD** TO-DAY AND TO-MORROW
Orchestra 5.15 & 9.20. Interpreter 2.30 & 7.15.

A tale of mystery, adventure and romance which leads to an uncharted isle in the tropics—

LEATRICE JOY
In
THE WEDDING SONG
with
ROBERT AMES & CHARLES GERARD
AT THE **STAR** TO-DAY & TO-MORROW
Continuous 2.30 to 8.30.
At 9.15.—Academia Do Liceu Central's Concert.

WAR COMPENSATION COURT ENDS.

TWELVE YEARS' VALUABLE WORK COMPLETED.

£3,900,000 AWARDED.

London, December 17th.

After twelve years of invaluable work the War Compensation Court came to an end yesterday. For the last time the members of the Court assembled at Carlisle Place, S.W., but the Lord Chief Justice was unable to be present as he was suffering from a cold. Sir Francis Taylor presided, and with him were Sir Plunket Barton and Sir Matthew Wallace.

The Solicitor-General (Sir Thomas Inskip) congratulated the Court on the excellence of their labours, and pointed out that no less than £3,907,132 had been awarded.

"There have been no fewer than 1,928 public sittings," he said, "at which 9,531 claims have been dealt with. As we all know a right of appeal was given by the Indemnity Act from the decision of the Court upon points of law. I think it is not inappropriate that I should say for the information of the public that in all there have been 19 appeals, 17 of which have been decided by the Court of Appeal. In 13 the judgment of this Court has been upheld."

"There have been two appeals from the Court of Appeal to the House of Lords, and in one of these

the decision of this Court was upheld, while in the other the decision was reversed."

It was right that the public should appreciate the services that had been rendered by the Court quietly, and from day to day without, as far as he knew, a single complaint in Parliament. Press or anywhere else. Claims that might have caused friction in some cases had been decided to the satisfaction of the public and the claimants.

Not An Angry Word.

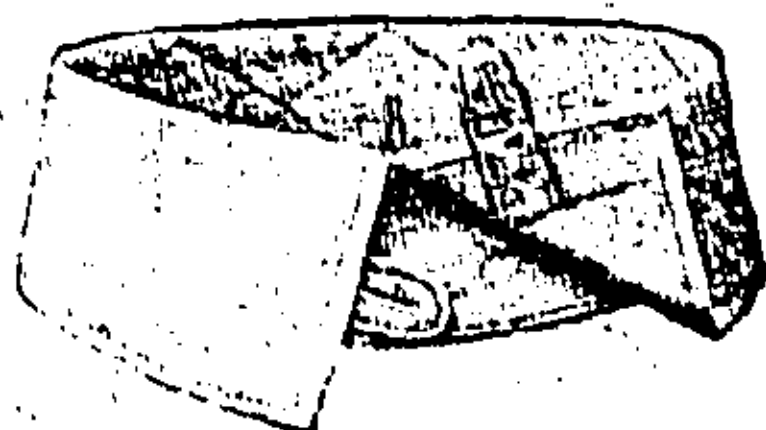
"I should like to tender your Lordships our grateful thanks for the courtesy and kindness we have always received. I do not think I have ever heard in this Court an angry word or murmur by counsel or Court against each other, or reprimands of any sort of description."

Serjeant Sullivan, K.C., on behalf of the Irish Bar, associated himself with Sir Thomas Inskip's words. "I venture to say that the influence of your Court is not going to close," he said. "This Court was an experiment in English constitutional practice. For the first time, if I remember rightly, contents between Crown and subject have been submitted to the decision of a tribunal untrammelled by technicalities and undeterred by any pettifogging rules of procedure."

"Those of us who have had experience of affairs which prevail in such contests elsewhere may perhaps venture to hope that the successful result of the setting up of a tribunal which decides such contests solely on their merits, and according to the rules of justice, may set an example that may be worthily followed elsewhere."

The Lord Advocate (Sir William Watson) expressed the thanks of the Scottish Bar.

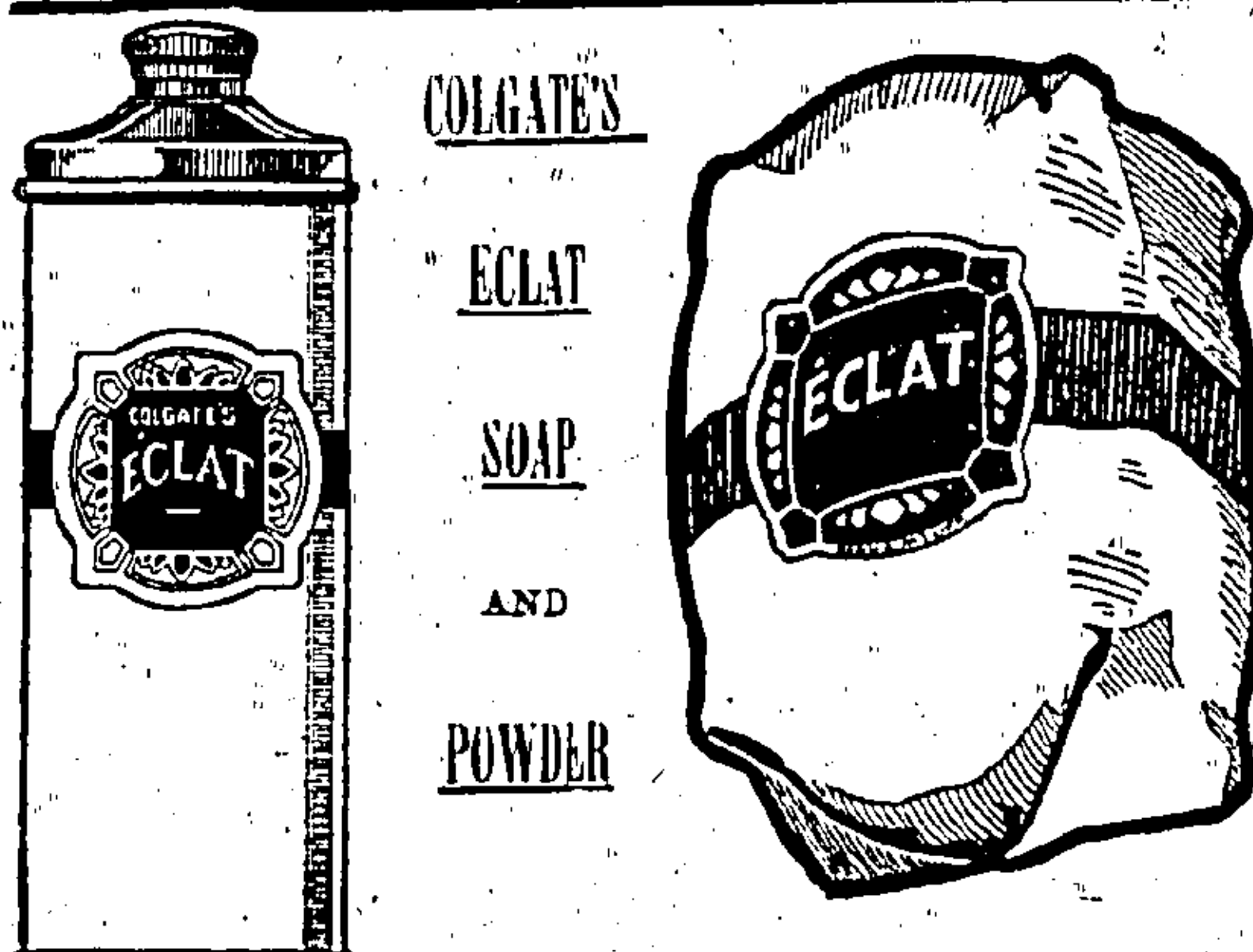
The new *Summit* Soft Collar



Made with twin tabs which hold the Collar in perfect position and the invisible stiffeners ensure a neat and smart appearance. Stocked in two different materials, both in Quarter sizes.

Mackintosh's

MEN'S WEAR SPECIALISTS
Alexandra Building, Des Vaux Road.



THE TWO SUPREME TOILET LUXURIES.

SOLE AGENTS:
HONG KONG TRADING CO., LTD.



PERFUMES

MANUFACTURED BY
RIGAUD, PARIS.

"FLORE DIVINA"
EXCELLENT SCENT.

PRICE: 50 Cts. per bottle.

OBTAINABLE FROM
VICENTE ATENZA & CO.
AGENTS.

No. 54, NATHAN ROAD,
KOWLOON.
TEL. K. 155.

WHITEAWAYS

SALE

BLUE TICKET WEEK

Monday, January 30th

TO

Saturday, February 4th

STOCKTAKING REVELATIONS

Preparations for Stocktaking have revealed a lot of stock which we have to clear.

This is all marked down to ensure a complete Clearance.

LOOK OUT FOR THE BLUE TICKETS.

COME EARLY.

BEST BARGAINS GO FIRST.

WHITEAWAY, LAIDLAW & CO., LTD.
HONG KONG.

PUBLIC SERVANTS AND MONEY-LENDERS.

VALIDITY OF PROMISSORY NOTES.

ALLOWANCES NOT COUNTED AS SUBSTANTIVE PAY.

PLAINTIFF NON-SUITED.

The question of the validity in law of a promissory note made out by a Civil Servant in favour of a registered moneylender was raised, not for the first time, at the Summary Court yesterday, before the Puisse Judge (Mr. Justice Wood).

Kartar Singh, watchman and registered moneylender, 44, Nathan Road, ground floor, sued Mr. T. J. Falla, a prison warder, for \$877.80 in respect of three promissory notes, two being signed on November 10th, 1926, for \$450 and \$200, and a third for \$120 receiving signature on April 1st, last year. This included interest totalling \$107.80, at the rate of two per cent. per month.

Mr. Horace Lo appeared for plaintiff and defendant conducted his own case.

Giving evidence, plaintiff said that the defendant signed all the notes, but nothing had been paid. He agreed, in reply to his Lordship, that he knew at the time Falla signed the notes that "he" was a warder at Lanching branch prison.

The defendant, giving evidence, said he held a permanent appointment under the Government as a warder on the prison staff. He was appointed warder on August 24th, 1921, on a salary of £150 per annum, rising by annual increments of £10 to £240.

At the time when he signed the notes, his salary was \$210 per annum. The three documents were in respect of loans.

In reply to his Lordship, defendant said \$8 per month was deducted for the Widows' and Orphans' Fund. He received free quarters, food, light, and uniform.

His Lordship: I understand it was not your wish to raise the Public Servants' Liability Ordinance as a defence. Yes.

"Do you wish to dispute your liability in any way?" No.

His Lordship: The question to be decided is whether the defendant is protected by the Ordinance. Mr. Lo submitted that plaintiff was entitled to judgment on the evidence. It was not his duty to argue that the defendant was or was not entitled to be protected by the Ordinance.

His Lordship: I have asked you to do that because that is the only point you have to meet. The first point is whether the defendant had given evidence that he was a public servant and it was necessary to show if he received any protection under the Ordinance. Section 2 of Ordinance 10, 1917, stated that no action shall be maintained against a public servant upon certain conditions being involved. One was upon any promise, express or implied, to repay money paid or advanced to him, or upon any bill of exchange or promissory note given by him. Under the first section of Section 3, the defendant was within the Ordinance, but under Section 3 of the same section it stated that the first section should not apply to a public servant whose pay at the time when the debt was contracted did not exceed \$200 per month, exclusive of any allowance.

Salary or Allowance?

The defendant had told the Court that on the material dates he received over \$200 a month, being \$210 on the first date and \$220 when the last note was signed. He was entitled to have his salary converted at the rate of \$12 to the pound.

His Lordship: Except for the operation of Government Order 101, the defendant is protected?

Mr. Lo: I quite agree.

Mr. Lo continued that all the Court was entitled to determine was whether, on the material dates, the defendant was in fact receiving a salary of over \$200 monthly. It would be most arbitrary to consider that a certain portion of a salary would be a mere allowance. Some Government servants did receive allowances, but in those cases they would be paid entirely differently.

Mr. Lo continued that when he was before his Lordship on a previous occasion, his Lordship had expressed the opinion that he might not have jurisdiction at all as soon as he had evidence before him that the defendant was a public servant. His Lordship was there impressed with the words of Sub-Section 3 in which it said "No action shall be maintained," which appeared to be prohibitive.

The Decision.

His Lordship, in giving his decision, thanked Mr. Lo for arguing the legal points.

Continuing, his Lordship said the action was brought on three promissory notes made by the defendant and given by him to the plaintiff. The defendant was quite clear in his view as to what he wanted done. He had no wish to offer any defence, and he did not desire to depart in the least from any part of his bargain.

The question which he (his Lordship) had to decide was whether, in the circumstances, he was bound to consider the Public Servants' Liability Ordinance (10) of 1917, and also whether, if he had to consider that Ordinance, the Ordinance itself provided protection to the defendant in the action.

His Lordship said his view was that the Public Servants' Liability Ordinance, 1917, operated in the proceedings, whether it was formally pleaded or not, also whether the defendant desired its protection or not. Section 4 of that Ordinance provided that proceedings and documents in or incidental to an action in contravention of the Ordinance should be absolutely null and void for all purposes, whether the Ordinance be raised as a defence or not.

The view which he held was that when "once" it had appeared, in any action brought on a promissory note against a public servant, that the defendant was, in fact a public servant as defined by Section 2, Sub-Section 3 of the Ordinance, then the Court was *prima facie* without jurisdiction to entertain the action, unless it could be shown that that particular public servant came within the exception contained in Section 3, Sub-Section 4 of the Ordinance.

The definition of a public servant was "A public servant means any person holding any permanent appointment, the emoluments of which are wholly or in part directly derived from the revenue of the Colony." Section 3 provided that no action should be maintained against a public servant upon a promissory note given by him, but provided also that that section should not apply to any public servant whose substantive pay, on the date when the liability sought to be enforced was contracted, exceeded \$200 per month, exclusive of any allowances.

Wherever the onus of proof might be, the Court might pursue for itself an enquiry as to whether any public servant came within that exception or not. "It is not here material to decide, where the onus of proof in this matter lies. In my view the onus is upon the plaintiff to establish his right to maintain an action on a promissory note against a public servant."

Substantive Pay.

In considering the evidence, the question arose for decision as to whether the defendant was a public servant whose substantive pay exceeded, on the date when the liability was contracted, \$200 monthly, exclusive of any allowances.

On the material dates the defendant received actually on his pay sheet the sum of \$210 monthly. Some portion of that amount was received by him in consequence of the operation of the Hong Kong Government General Order No. 101. Without the operation of that Order, it was agreed that his receipts at any material time were less than \$200 monthly.

The view which he (his Lordship) had hitherto held, and which he still held, was that the additional payment to which a public servant became entitled under General Order No. 101 was in the nature of an allowance and was not in the nature of substantive pay. It was to be noted in the General Orders of the Government that the Order was at privileged rates of exchange. In addition, it was an allowance that could only be drawn while the servant was in the Colony. It would appear that if the servant was outside the Colony and his salary was drawn inside the Colony by his attorney, then that additional sum would not be payable as part of his salary to his attorney. It was quite distinct from any salary quoted in the schedule as attached to a permanent appointment. Substantive pay was the salary of a permanent appointment.

Concluding, his Lordship said for those reasons he was of the opinion that the substantive pay as all material times was less than \$200, exclusive of allowances, that the defendant was within the protection provided under the Public Servants' Liability Ordinance, 1917, and that being so, the Court was without jurisdiction to entertain the action.

"I therefore non-suit the plaintiff with costs."

Mr. Lo remarked that he understood the plaintiff would take the case to a higher Court.

(Continued on next Column.)

A 'BUS CONDUCTOR'S LAPSE.

GAMBLER WITH THE COLLECTIONS.

GAOL WITHOUT THE OPTION.

Before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, a conductor employed by the Kowloon Motor Bus Company pleaded guilty to a charge of embezzling the sum of \$18.55 from his employers.

Sub-Inspector Dick informed his Worship that the defendant collected \$45.55 on January 23rd (Chinese New Year day), and instead of paying in that amount, together with \$1 which he received for change before going on duty, he absconded. The following day an Indian watchman employed by the Company found the defendant at his house. On the defendant was the account showing that he had collected \$45.55.

In reply to his Worship, the defendant said he had lost it in gambling. Defendant was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour without the option of a fine.

MODERN FRENCH MUSIC.

ENJOYABLE CONCERT AT HELENA MAY INSTITUTE.

The musicale given at the Helena May Institute last evening proved to be one of the best of a very enjoyable series. There was a good attendance and the excellent programmes on "French Modern Music" were thoroughly appreciated.

The artists contributing were in great form and did full justice to the composers' work.

Debussy's compositions were especially enjoyed, and the growing popularity of Massenet was reflected in the number of examples of his work.

The programme given was as under:

- A. "Après un rêve" Faure-Elman.
- B. "Tasse-fried" Delibes-Elman.
- Violin: Mr. JOHN BRAGA.
- A. "Si mes Vies avaient des Ailes" Reynaldo Hahn.
- B. "Serenade du Passant" Massenet.

Mr. LE CHOR CHU.

Accompanist: Prof. E. GUALDI.

- A. "La Cathédrale engloutie" Debussy.
- B. "La danse de Puck" Mrs. HARGREAVES BROWN.

- A. "Les Papillons" E. Chausson.
- B. "Romance" Debussy.

- Mrs. SANGER.
- A. "Méditation de Thais" Massenet.

- B. "Le Cygne" Saint-Saens.
- Violin: Mr. JOHN BRAGA.

- A. "La Maison Grise" from "Fortin" Messager.
- B. "Pourquoi me Réveiller" from "Werther" Massenet.

Mr. LE CHOR CHU.

Accompanist: Prof. E. GUALDI.

- A. "Petites Litanies de Jésus" G. Grovlez.
- B. "Les jardins sous la pluie" Debussy.

- Mrs. HARGREAVES BROWN.
- A. "Elegie" Massenet.

- B. "Mon cœur s'ouvre à la voix" Saint-Saens.

Mrs. SANGER.

Violin obligato: Mr. JOHN BRAGA.

ANOTHER CLAIM.

MONEYLENDER AGAIN NON-SUITED.

Following the above there was a similar claim case, in which another Indian moneylender, Bishen Singh, of 33, Cochrane Street, sued T. J. Falla, of Lai Chi Kok Branch Prison, for the sum of \$230, which included money borrowed under a promissory note and also \$60 lent under an I.O.U. The promissory note was dated August 10th, 1926, and I.O.U. March 4th, 1927.

The details of the claim were: \$200 principal under the promissory note; five months' interest at two per cent. per month, \$20; and I.O.U. \$60.

Parties were not legally represented.

Plaintiff gave evidence bearing out his claim, and defendant denied that he owed the amount he was sued for. He said that on one occasion a friend of his borrowed from plaintiff the sum of \$200. Witness asked this friend \$20, and the friend asked him to pay the \$20 to plaintiff. Witness had not got the money and signed a chit to plaintiff for \$40, and paid \$4 a month until he went on leave. When he returned, he was threatened with Court action, and signed a note. He had only received \$20, but he signed a note for \$200.

His Lordship (Mr. Justice Wood) held that with regard to the promissory note on the date it was signed, defendant's salary was not more than \$200 a month, and that therefore he was protected by the Ordinance. Therefore, the claim on that note failed. The claim with regard to the I.O.U. also failed, because of the reasons he had set out in the previous case relating to such claims.

His Lordship, therefore, non-suited plaintiff, as in the case given above.

KAIPING HOUSEHOLD COAL

In Lots of not less than 1-ton: Note Reduction in Prices.

Delivered to Peak District (above Bowen Road), \$24.00 per ton.

Delivered to Bowen Road and Lower Levels, \$22.00 per ton.

Delivered to Kowloon, \$20.00 per ton.



For Price Apply to

THE KAILAN MINING ADMINISTRATION
DODWELL & CO., LTD. Agents, Hong Kong.

Hong Kong Weekly Press

PUBLISHED TO-DAY

THE CURRENT ISSUE OF THE HONG KONG WEEKLY PRESS DESCRIBES THE CELEBRATION OF CHINESE NEW YEAR IN THE COLONY AND IN CANTON. IN BOTH PLACES GOOD TRADE WAS DONE, THE FESTIVAL PASSING OFF PEACEFULLY AND WITHOUT THE FINANCIAL CRISES THAT HAD BEEN FEARED.

At Canton the alertness of Li Tsai Hain's Regime prevented another "Red" upheaval and a New Year's Eve raid resulted in the seizure of arms, ammunition and seditious propaganda. Forty-four leaders were arrested and summarily executed.

The WEEKLY PRESS contains the usual summary of the sport, commercial activities and public business of the Colony and South China. It will be welcomed at Home by all interested in the Far Eastern situation.

32 Pages—Price 30 Cents.

The Paper with the Familiar Yellow Cover.

[On Sale by all Regular News Boys]

Annual Subscription: Hong Kong, \$18; Post Free to any address, \$15; Quarterly Subscription, \$3.75.

Orders should be sent to the

HONG KONG DAILY PRESS, LTD.,

TELEPHONE: C. 12.

11, ICE HOUSE STREET.

MURDER AT KOWLOON CITY.

INQUEST. OPENED YESTERDAY.

An attempt at armed robbery, which resulted in the murder of a Chinese at No. 23, Tung Tau village, Kowloon City, at the end of November, last, was recalled at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon, when Mr. W. Schofield, sitting as Coroner, opened an inquest into the death of this man.

Evidence given was to the effect that on the night in question another Chinese heard cries of "save life" and "armed robbery." The cries appeared to have been made by a woman. The witness ran out

and blew a police whistle. The police arrived soon after and deceased was found dead on his bed. The deceased was a lean curd master, it was stated, and had a woman foki, who seems to have disappeared.

Medical evidence was given by Dr. Dovey, who stated that he found on the body of deceased a severe wound in the chest. The wound had penetrated the left lung and entered the pericardium of the heart. The laceration of the lung caused death. There were several other minor injuries. The edges of the wound were regular, and the wound must have been caused by a curved sharp weapon.

After further evidence, the inquest was adjourned until next Wednesday.

AFTERMATH OF
NEW YEAR.UNEMPLOYMENT IN
CANTON.

BUSINESS UNCERTAINTY.

"RED" ATROCITIES IN THE
DISTRICTS.

(FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.)

A large number of persons have been thrown out of employment in Canton since January 24th, the second day of the Chinese New Year. This was expected now that the ancient right of employers to engage or dismiss *chiao* is once more in force. The free exercise of the prerogative must be attributed to "bad trade" last year and uncertainty as to the future. Many employers now prefer a daily or monthly to an annual agreement. Professional labour agitators have undermined the discipline of the workers to such an extent that no one is going to saddle himself for a year with one of Borodin's possible adherents. Many small shop owners in Canton have placed only their relatives on their permanent employment list, and the large shops are retaining only those who are absolutely faithful and indispensable.

Not until next Monday, and in some cases not until the 15th day of the Chinese New Year (February 6th) will the number be known of firms, big and small, which will close down. Fear is being expressed that many native banks and a large number of weaving and knitting factories may very much prolong their New Year "holidays". Apprehension is growing in Canton that the Authorities may levy another \$10,000,000 contribution from the trading community in the form of "loans". The memory is strong of last September's demands when bankers were forced to lend 60 per cent. of their registered capital to the Central Bank of China in Canton. The proceeds were to have gone towards the rehabilitation of the Bank but the money has never been accounted for and the present value of the Bank's notes is less than 60 per cent.

New Year holidays in the Customs Service in Canton came to an end yesterday and all river boats plying between Canton, Hong Kong and Wuchow resumed service last night or will do so to-day.

At Wuchow there is a good deal of apprehension of a "Red" outbreak, and the Authorities are refusing persons who cannot give reliable references to land at the Port.

Many large firms, while re-opening before next Sunday, have decided to curtail their business until the fiscal policy of the Administration is clearly laid down. There is a fear that the Central Bank notes will continue to drop and that the Administration will ignore the notes by requiring certain taxes to be paid in specie and ordering higher rates if payment is made in notes.

BRIGANDS AND REDS.

Taking advantage of the critical military situation on the East River Sector, where both the 5th Army (Kwangtung) and the 7th Army (Kwangsi Chique) have lost heavily since the middle of the month in the struggle for Swatow, pirates and bandits along the West and the North Rivers have been exceedingly active, and several junk lines between Canton City and inland water ports have failed to resume their services after the New Year. Swatow, by the way, is still held by the Kwangsi troops.

The "Reds" appear to have failed in their attempt to set up a "Soviet Government" in Northern Kwangtung and are still strong in the Hoifung and the Lukfung Districts. In Kwangsi the "Reds" have destroyed many houses and murdered a number of inhabitants in Lokong and Pingshek but they have failed to gain any substantial ground anywhere.

POLITICS.

Canton merchants, in addition to facing local problems, are also watching developments in Nanking, Hankow, and Changsha. Should General Chiang Kai Shek be able to extend his power over Canton that would mean that his following and not General Li Tsai Hsin's would control the revenue of Kwangtung. Canton people consider General Li's regime the lesser of the two evils. What Kwangtung loses may be Kwangsi's gain. The Cantonese have a strong influence in Kwangsi and a large number of merchants last year enjoyed peaceful and prosperous trade there. The Kwangsi Administration is spending millions on public works, giving employment to decent work people, while the lazy and useless are sent to Kwangtung for military service.

The Province of Kwangsi expects to hold an industrial exhibition some time next autumn and is hoping for the co-operation of foreign merchants.

(Continued on next Column.)

MACAO STUDENTS.

VISIT TO HONG KONG
TO-DAY.PROGRAMME OF SIGHT-
SEEING AND TENNIS
MATCHES.

Over one hundred students from the Lyceum Central de Macao will visit Hong Kong to-day. To be exact the number are 33 girls and 76 boys; they will be accompanied by the Rector of the Lyceum, Senhor Borges Delgado and nine of the staff, 4 ladies and 5 gentlemen. For a colony the size of Macao it is well provided for in the matter of educational facilities and the Lyceum is a preparatory college for the universities of Portugal. There is an examination every year for 2 or 3 students from Macao to take a university career at the cost of the Government of Macao. The present Governor of Macao was a student of the Lyceum and so were his brothers, including Senhor Joao Tamagnini Barbosa who later held the portfolios of Finance and Navy, successively, in the Ministry in Lisbon.

Today's Programme.

The party will arrive from Macao by the s.s. *Sui Tai* at noon and will be received by representatives of the Portuguese associations in Hong Kong. The visitors will be accommodated in the St. Francis Hotel.

By courtesy of the Vice-Chancellor and professorial staff of the Hong Kong University the Portuguese students will visit the University at 2.30 p.m. to-day. At 5.30 p.m. there will be a reception at the Club Lusitano when the Committee and members of the Club will be "at home" to their friends.

In the evening commencing at 9 p.m. the Lyceum students will give a concert at the "Star" Theatre. The programme consists of a variety of musical items including a few Portuguese folk songs with violin and guitar accompaniments. The proceeds of the concert will be in aid of the "Caixa Academica"—i.e., the Academy Funds—for the benefit of poor students attending the Lyceum.

Visit To Kowloon Docks.

The programme for Saturday includes a visit to the Docks at Kowloon, permission having been kindly given by Mr. E. Cock, acting chief manager, who has placed a steam-launch at the disposal of the visitors.

On Saturday afternoon tennis matches have been arranged between the visitors and the Club de Recreo on the Club's ground in King's Park. Following tennis, the members of the Club de Recreo will hold a tea-party.

The party will return, by the morning boat on Sunday.

CROWN LAND SALE.

At the offices of the Public Works Department yesterday afternoon, there was a sale of Crown Land. The land put up for auction was New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1119, which is adjoining New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1096, Prince Edward Road.

The area is 3,380 square feet, and the land was knocked down at the upset price, without any advance being made, the figure being \$3,380, or \$1 per square foot.

Messrs. Hui Ka Ping, H. K. Pik and Hui Ka Tsung, of 12, Connaught Road Central, were the purchasers.

The annual Crown rental in respect of this lot is \$10, and in addition, the purchaser has to pay \$25 for boundary stones required to define the lot, and \$20 for the Crown Lease.

LI FUK LAM'S FORMER
COMMAND RESTIVE.

(Wah Keung Po.)

It is reported that Tang In Wa, the present Commander-in-Chief of the 5th Army, has tendered his resignation. Tang Sai Tsing, a Canton garrison commander, being appointed to succeed him. The 5th Army—ironically called the "Paper Sides"—have been restored since the retirement of General Li Fuk Lam who had commanded them since the Republic was founded.

THE WAR ON THE UNIONS

(Wah Keung Po.)

The Chamber of Commerce at Canton has petitioned the Canton Government to dissolve the Union of Shop Employees. They say that many members of that Union are communists and are trying to ruin business by perpetually increasing wages and decreasing working hours until all profits are swallowed up. The petition ended by saying that if the Union is allowed to continue business at Canton would be ruined.

CANTON TREASURY AND THE
"IRONSIDES."

A THREE-DAY FINANCE COMMISSIONER CHARGED.

MONEY FOR CHIANG KAI SHEK AND T. V. SOONG?

CASE OPENED AT CENTRAL MAGISTRACY.

The case against the two officials of the Central Bank of China at Canton, who are alleged to have stolen about a million dollars, was again before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy yesterday. Much of interest was stated during the course of the proceedings. It was said that one of the defendants, Wong Chung Chu, was made Finance Commissioner by the "Ironsides" during their short regime, and that in the course of three days, he had succeeded in diverting this huge sum from the treasury vaults. Some of this money was intended, it was alleged, for General Chiang Kai Shek and some for Mr. T. V. Soong.

"THE TANNERY LOAN."

The prosecution stated that in order to induce the Comptroller of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation at Shanghai to accept Chinese subsidiary coins for Hong Kong currency, Wong Chung Chu, in his capacity as Finance Commissioner, offered to repay an old loan of \$200,000 to the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation. This transaction, in which the brother of the Comptroller of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank was held responsible to the bank, was called the "Tannery Loan."

ONE DISCHARGED.

At the outset of yesterday morning's proceedings, the second defendant, Chiu Pak Shan, was discharged on the ground that he was a British subject and, therefore, could not be charged under an extradition warrant. There were 11 charges against Wong Chung Chu, which were reduced to three at the afternoon sitting: Mr. Sheldon, for the prosecution, being unable to offer evidence to substantiate the others.

Legal arguments put forward by Mr. Eldon Potter, for the defence, in the afternoon were particularly interesting. He criticised the case as contrary to British justice and submitted that it should not go before a jury. He pointed out to His Worship that the opening by the Crown suggested no evidence of criminality on the part of the accused. The case, he said, reeked with police from the beginning to the end.

The case will be continued this afternoon.

Wong Chung Chu, Finance Commissioner, and Chiu Pak Shan, manager of the Central Bank of China, both appointed to their posts subsequent to the recent "Reds" upheaval, were charged at the Central Magistracy under an extradition warrant with the larceny of several sums of money amounting to about one million dollars.

Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., and Mr. F. C. Jenkin, instructed by Mr. M. K. Lo, appeared for the defence, while Mr. H. G. Sheldon, instructed by the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Sheldon, conducted the case for the prosecution on behalf of the Crown.

At the commencement, Mr. Sheldon told the Court that he would not proceed against the second defendant as the Crown was satisfied that he is not a national of China. The accused, Chiu Pak Shan, was then accordingly discharged.

No Requisition From Canton.

In proceeding with the case against the first defendant, Wong Chung Chu, Mr. Sheldon told the Magistrate that as yet he had received no requisition from Canton. He added that with the Court's consent and that of the defending Counsel, he would like to open his case. This was not an irregular procedure, he suggested, but nevertheless, he would like to have Mr. Potter's undertaking that exception would not be taken at a later stage.

Mr. Potter said that the only remark he would make was that if there ever was a case which failed under Section 8 of the Extradition Ordinance, it was the one now before the Court. He would, therefore, ask his Worship to exercise the authority vested in him by that Ordinance and discharge the defendant.

Mr. Potter also reminded the Court that the defendant was arrested on January 24th, obviously on information supplied by one cognisant with the facts of the case at Canton. It was, therefore, futile to suggest that the authorities in Canton were acting under any difficulty which prevented them from putting the law into motion. He also pointed out that there had been no attempt to explain the delay. He would like to know whether or not they (the Canton authorities) expected his Worship to wait upon them.

Mr. Potter also pointed out that the prosecution could re-arrest the defendant.

The Court's Dignity.

In reply, Mr. Sheldon said that the defendants were arrested less than a month ago, and that extradition was applied for less than a fortnight ago. Extradition documents, he said, had to pass through diplomatic channels and they moved very slowly. As he was willing to proceed with the case, he would say that there had never been a case where such delay was shown.

Mr. Potter disagreed saying that his experience "with similar cases" had been that the requisition had always come down promptly. He concluded by saying that the time had come for the Court to make a firm stand, and if this was not done

Money For General Chiang.

On December 24th, Wong again instructed the officer in charge of the Deposits, Loans and Remittances Department to buy \$200,000 Hong Kong currency to be remitted to General Chiang Kai Shek.

This officer carried out the instruction but his efforts were only partially successful, as he could only procure \$10,000 Hong Kong money. He made a report to Wong that it would take several days to complete the purchase, and remarking that it would be too late, Wong instructed the officer to take \$700,000 from the Reserve into Shanghai in order to obtain a loan for the requisite amount.

Liberality.

On the same date Wong ordered that \$171,000 be paid to him for the purpose of a bonus to the staff. Almost immediately another order was given that a similar sum be turned over to pay the staff salaries for January in advance.

As regards these two sums the prosecution alleges that the bonus was never paid out and that some of the money supposedly for advance salaries was also withheld.

Mr. Potter: Can we tell what charge the order for payment of salaries falls under? Also we would like to be told where exactly is the salary, what is the salary, and the salary of what. All this is necessary.

Mr. Sheldon: Nothing unfair will be done to your client if I can help it.

Mr. Potter: Not by you. I would like my friend to understand that anything I may say in this Court is impersonal. It is directly against your client, the Canton Government.

Mr. Lindsell: The Hong Kong Government, Mr. Sheldon represents the Crown.

Mr. Potter: So it has been ruled. But his late client is the Chinese Government.

Willing To Pay Off "Tannery Loan."

Continuing, Mr. Sheldon said that on December 24th, \$250,000 in silver coin and \$30,000 in Hong Kong currency were paid out by the cashier on documents signed by Wong. In addition to this another sum of 155,000 was also paid out by the Internal Loan Bureau of the Central Bank for the purpose of paying off National Debts.

The fugitive (Wong) was also said to have tried to secure loans against the subsidiary coins taken to Shanghai and deposited with the National City Bank of New York and the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation. There were 239 cases containing \$800,000 in coin in the Comptroller Department of the National City Bank of New York. Both banks, however, refused to advance anything against the Chinese coins in the absence of instructions from their respective Hong Kong offices. Next day the specie was removed to the Hong Kong Bank, where Mr. Dunnott, the manager, would only accept the custody of 148 cases.

There the fugitive negotiated with Mr. Chan Lim Chung, Comptroller of the Hong Kong Bank, to buy from him \$500,000 Hong Kong currency. He also promised to wipe off the debt of \$200,000 called the "Tannery Loan" on which loan the brother of Mr. Chan Lim Chung was held responsible to the Hong Kong Bank.

With regard to the 60 cases of specie which Mr. Dunnott refused to accept, the fugitive was said to have asked the Comptroller of the Hong Kong Bank to dispose of them and that their equivalent in Hong Kong money, amounting to \$180,632, be sent to the Bank of East Asia in Hong Kong.

The Comptroller of the Hong Kong Bank at Shanghai was given two slips; the first related to an amount of \$118,233 to be remitted to one Chu San at the Bank of East Asia at Hong Kong, and the other related to \$50,000 to be paid to Mr. T. V. Soong at Shanghai.

Eight Charges Withdrawn.

At the afternoon hearing, Mr. Sheldon informed the Court that he would have to withdraw charges 3 to 10, and would only proceed with charges 1, 2 and 11.

Dealing with the amount sent to Chu San, Mr. Sheldon said that the sum was duly forwarded by the Comptroller of the Hong Kong Bank at Canton through the Tak Wing Bank to the Wing Sang Bank here. A letter was also sent instructing the Tak Wing Bank to pay the money over to Chu San at the Bank of East Asia. The money intended for Mr. T. V. Soong was not withdrawn and is now held by Mr. Doyle of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank at Shanghai.

The money for Chu San arrived here on January 5th, and on the same day a man calling himself Chu San went to the Tak Wing Bank and requested the money to be paid over to the Bank of East Asia. The money was accordingly paid over, but later in the day, two foks from the Bank of East Asia went back to the Tak Wing Bank and requested them to remove the money saying that there was a mistake somewhere and they did not want to have the money in their bank. Prior to that Chu San and another man went to the Bank of East Asia, where Chu San was known to an employee there as Chu Tit San. He went to the Telegraphic Transfer Department and signed an application for the money to be transferred to T. V. Soong at Shanghai. He signed the application in the name of Chu San.

(Continued on page 6.)

BILLIARD TABLE
— CUSHIONS —

BY

R. STEVENS & SONS,
LONDON.

STEVENS & SONS LOW "RAPIDE" CUSHION IS CONSTRUCTED OF AN IMPROVED INDIA RUBBER OF THE MOST SCIENTIFIC PRINCIPLES, AND IS THE FASTEST THAT CAN BE MADE.

WILL RETAIN ITS ELASTICITY IN ANY CLIMATE AND IS THE MOST PERFECT CUSHION EVER CONSTRUCTED, FOR THE CORRECTNESS OF ANGLES, SILENCE AND DURABILITY.

QUOTATIONS

FOR ALL BILLIARD REPAIRS

— ON APPLICATION —

LANE, CRAWFORD, LTD.

Lubricants
SUCONY MOTOR OILThe Viva-tonal
Columbia

NEW MODELS JUST ARRIVED.

THE ANDERSON MUSIC CO., LTD.

'WHITAKER'
AND THE WORLD

'Whitaker' the reference book of the World, brings to your instant command compact and complete knowledge of practically every subject of national and international importance. It is an up-to-date reference library in itself, containing a mine of information respecting the Government, Finances, Population, Commerce, and General Statistics of the Nations, with Special reference to British Dominions. Throughout the English-speaking world men and women say,

"You'll find it in 'Whitaker'"

1928 WHITAKER'S 1928
ALMANACKPaper Edition
\$2.25Complete Edition
\$4.50KELLY & WALSH, LTD.
The Bookshop. Chater Road.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

DISTRICT GRAND LODGE OF HONG KONG AND SOUTH CHINA, E.C.

NOTICE.

ANNUAL MASONIC SERVICE.

ALL BRETHREN are invited to attend DIVINE SERVICE at St. John's Cathedral on SUNDAY EVENING, JANUARY 29th at 6 O'CLOCK.

[5813]

DISTRICT GRAND LODGE OF HONG KONG AND SOUTH CHINA (SCOTTISH CONSTITUTION).

ANNUAL MASONIC SERVICE.

ALL BRETHREN are invited to attend DIVINE SERVICE at St. John's Cathedral on SUNDAY EVENING, JANUARY 29th at 6 O'CLOCK when the THIRD ANNUAL MASONIC SERVICE will be held.

E. J. EDWARDS, District Grand Master Deputé.

[5814]

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Cathedral Hall on MONDAY, 30th JANUARY, at 5.30 P.M.

BUSINESS.

1. Address by the Dean.
2. To receive and consider the Accounts for 1927.
3. To elect six Lay Members for the Church Body.
4. To elect an Auditor.
5. To elect Members for the Church Council.
6. To consider the recommendation of the Church Body that Pew Bents be abolished as from 1st January, 1928.
7. To transact any other Business that may arise.

(Sd.) C. BLAKER, Hon. Secretary.

Hong Kong, 26th January, 1928.
Previous to the Meeting the Dean and Mrs. SWANN will be "At Home" in the Cathedral Hall from 4.30 P.M. [5815]

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE

OF THE VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY

Situate in the PEAK DISTRICT in the Colony of Hong Kong and registered in the LAND OFFICE as THE REMAINING PORTION OF RURAL BUILDING LOT No. 2, Together with the Dwelling House thereon known as "FUNG SHUI".

To be sold by PUBLIC AUCTION

ON THURSDAY,

THE FIRST DAY OF MARCH, 1928, At 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

by MESSRS. HUGHES & HUGHES, LTD., Auctioneers,

AT THEIR AUCTION ROOMS,

101 HORNBY STREET, VICTORIA, HONG KONG.

VACANT POSSESSION 31st MARCH, 1928.

The Property consists of—
All that Piece or Parcel of Ground having an Area of 91,324 Square Feet registered in the LAND OFFICE as THE REMAINING PORTION OF RURAL BUILDING LOT No. 2, together with all the Messuages or Tenements and other Erections thereon and the Rights, Encumbrances and Appurtenances thereto belonging and all the Estate and Interest of the Vendor in and to all the said Premises.

For further Particulars Apply to—

MESSRS. WILKINSON & GRIST, Vendors' Solicitors,

on 70

MESSRS. HUGHES & HUGHES, LTD., Auctioneers,

8, DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL, VICTORIA, HONG KONG.

21st January, 1928. [5812]

FLATS TO LET KOWLOON.

45/52, NATHAN ROAD, FLATS OF TWO ROOMS. RENTS—\$80 and \$100 PER MONTH. MODERN SANITATION AND SERVANTS' QUARTERS.

APPLY TO

S. J. DAVID & CO. DAVID HOUSE.

67/69 DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL.

INTIMATIONS.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the HONG KONG HOTEL, Hong Kong, on THURSDAY, the 9th FEBRUARY, 1928, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the Year ended 31st DECEMBER, 1927.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, 1st FEBRUARY, to FRIDAY, 10th FEBRUARY (Both Days inclusive), during which period No Transfer of Shares can be registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers.

Hong Kong, 26th Jan., 1928. [5808]

UNION WATERBOAT CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Office of Messrs. DODWELL & COMPANY, LIMITED, on TUESDAY, the 7th FEBRUARY, 1928, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st DECEMBER, 1927.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 30th JANUARY to 7th FEBRUARY, 1928, both dates inclusive.

DODWELL & CO., LTD., General Managers.

[5803]

THE "SAN-FAN CIRCUS."

"SAN-FAN" CIRCUS, Returning from AMERICA, are Giving SHOWS at PRAYA EAST RECLAMATION AREA to Commence from 23rd JANUARY, the CHINESE NEW YEAR DAY.

Expert European Bandmen and Dancing Girls have been employed.

PRICES—

1st Class	...	\$2.00
2nd	...	\$1.20
3rd	...	\$0.50

TIME TABLE—

HOLIDAY SHOW—From 1.30 P.M. to 4.30 P.M. DAILY.

NIGHTLY SHOW—From 7.30 P.M. to 10.30 P.M.

[5794]

NOTICE.

MONIES up to \$100,000 are Available for Investment on 1st Class Mortgage Security subject to a Trustee Valuation.

Apply—MESSRS. DEACONS, Prince's Buildings.

TO LET.

A FLAT in CANTON BUILDINGS Kowloon—Apply to HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE CO., LTD., ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS.

[5817]

TO LET—From First FEBRUARY, No. 2, KILLET HOUSE, PEAK, Four Rooms, Full System, Separate Kitchen, Servants' Quarters, All Modern Conveniences.—Apply DEACONS, PRINCE'S BUILDING. [302]

FOR SALE—MORRIS OXFORD—5 States—Gasoline Filter and all Usual Gadgets—5 Baloons 3 tires in Excellent Condition. Car Looks and Runs like a New One. Garage on Lower Levels may be included.—Apply Box 300, c/o Hong Kong Daily Press. [300]

LOST on SHANKWAN-STANLEY ROAD on JANUARY 24th, Black and White FOX TERRIER PUP. Finder please inform Mr. B. P. MOODIE, HONG KONG BANK. [5811]

VISITORS TO CANTON.

Should Purchase

A BOOK FOR THE GLOBE-TROTTERS FROM HONG KONG TO CANTON BY THE PEARL RIVER

BY

CAPTAIN C. V. LLOYD.

With Illustrations, Maps and Plans

PRICE \$1.75

On Sale at:

HONG KONG DAILY PRESS OFFICE

INTIMATIONS.

Fine SHERRIES

Grown, Bottled and Shipped by

GEO. G. SANDEMAN SONS & Co.

Xeres de la Frontera and Oporto.

	Duty Paid.	Per Case.	Per Bot.
Fine Old Brown	40.00	3.45	
Manzanilla (Bottled in 1895)	37.00	3.20	
Light Dry	37.00	3.15	
Solera	39.00	3.30	
Very Pale Dry	42.00	3.60	
Pale Dry Nutty	46.00	3.95	
Fine Old Brown	48.50	4.20	
Brown Bang	57.00	4.85	

and Fine PORTS

Douro	41.00	3.50
Old Invalid	42.00	3.60
Old Tawny	44.00	3.80
Old White	48.00	4.15
Very Old Tawny	64.00	5.50
Oldest & Finest	66.00	5.70

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.

Wine and Spirit Merchants.

[50]

MARRIAGE.

PEREIRA—ROSARIO.—On January 26th, 1928, at Rosary Church, Kowloon, ROY ALFRED, eldest son of the late Mr. ALFRED PEREIRA and Mrs. C. D'SOUZA, of Singapore, to MERCEDES, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. S. ROSARIO, of 12, Austin Avenue, Kowloon, (Shanghai and Singapore papers please copy). [301]

Hong Kong Office: 11, Ice House Street.
London Office: 21, Bride Lane, Fleet Street, E.C. 4.

The Daily Press.

HONG KONG, JANUARY 27th, 1928.

NATIONAL DEFENCE.

A good deal has been written in the Home papers recently about Britain's "vulnerability" to attack from the air. Comparisons are made with the air services of Continental powers and a huge programme of air force expansion is demanded quite regardless of cost. But the problem is one that cannot be solved by the comparatively simple expedient of building more aeroplanes. Indeed no question has become more complex in these days than that of national defence. As regards our own country until the invention of the torpedo and the submarine the whole matter resolved itself into building a larger fleet than that of any possible enemy, and a fleet in those days meant battleships and cruisers.

France in olden times was our principal rival, but as she had large military commitments owing to her land frontiers it was not difficult for Britain to maintain sufficient sea power to guard her own shores against invasion and to secure moderate safety for her overseas trade. In the early Victorian days, when no one but ourselves was particularly interested in sea power, it was possible to cut down both fleet and army to a comfortable minimum.

The torpedo made the first rift in the lute. It enabled small vessels to deal a mortal blow to big ones. In Nelson's day and for long after, the line-of-battleship had nothing to fear by night or day except other battleships. By the torpedo made it possible for a single swift attack by midgets to sink a whole fleet. At once it became apparent that Britain's traditional strategy of stationing a blockading squadron off each hostile base had become obsolete on account of the danger of torpedo attack by night. The submarine extended the principle. She could advance unseen and protected by water against gunfire even during the day. The battleship was in fact no longer safe at any time—even in harbour.

These two inventions raised an entirely new problem, namely, the relative merits of the different classes of warship and the proportion needed of each. Even before the Great War it was said that the "mosquito fleet" had made the battleship obsolete, and it is arguable that Britain might have maintained her command of the sea without a single Dreadnought. Sir Percy Scott, one of the founders of modern gunnery, and therefore predisposed to favour the big ships that bristled with his inventions, was strongly of that view.

The aeroplane has still more drastically altered the whole nature of war and it is extraordinarily difficult to say whether or no it will render both fleets and armies obsolete. Formerly armies could be countered with armies and fleets with fleets. But aircraft have infinite opportunity to evade even their own kind and to strike at a nation's heart, destroying military bases and the big centres of population and manufacture. France has a greatly superior air force to England and, alarmists argue that if war were to break out between the two countries every British town and arsenal would, in a few hours, be under a devastating bombardment from the air. The fact that some of our machines had slipped through to spread similar havoc would be the poorest consolation to the civilian populace. On the other hand it is doubtful whether the aeroplane can accomplish quite as much as its adherents claim. The Admiralty and the War Office can still present a case for their own "absolute minimum" for national security. While for nations close to each other the decisive element may be the air, for those separated by an ocean which cannot be crossed and re-crossed by warplanes, the command of the sea will still be the paramount consideration. Moreover, the urgent call for the Shanghai Defence Force and the perennial troubles on the Indian frontier and in the African desert show that a fairly considerable army is still needed by Britain.

The Government is proceeding cautiously. The whole science of aviation is in its infancy and the present advantage possessed by the attack may be discounted by a single invention in the laboratory. No one would be more condemnatory than present critics if a huge fleet of war planes, built at ruinous cost, were suddenly rendered useless. Britain does not rule the air. On the other hand she possesses a very creditable air force and no European power is at all likely to embark upon aggressive war on the strength of her superiority in aeroplanes. The lessons of the last war were that such superiority does not infallibly achieve its objects and that the rewards of victory are like the fabled Dead Sea fruit. Great Britain is wisely refusing to embark upon a struggle for air supremacy which, by being misinterpreted abroad, would be the most likely way of causing the disaster it was seeking to avert. At the present time experiment and research are of the first importance, and in these directions a great amount is being done.

Kowloon cinema-goers should note that there will be no movie performance in the Star Theatre at 8.15 this evening, as the Academia do Liceau Central will be giving a concert at that time.

The marriage arranged between Mr. Richard Hope Chappell and Margaret Edith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Constance MacGregor, will take place at Hong Kong at the end of February.

A Chinese employed as a fitter at the Tjilbert, which is undergoing reconstruction at Taikoo, fell into the ship's hold on Wednesday and suffered injuries to his head and side which necessitated his removal to the Government Civil Hospital.

The annual Masonic service, under the auspices of the District Grand Lodge of Hong Kong and South China (Scottish Constitution) will be held at St. John's Cathedral on Sunday evening, at six o'clock. All Brethren are invited to attend this service.

Mr. C. P. Marvel, residing at No. 175, The Peak, has reported to the police that while his car was left unattended outside the World Theatre on Wednesday evening, a plain radiator cap and an A.A. Badge were stolen from it. The value of the articles is about \$10.

A Chinese married woman, living at No. 301, Nathan Road, Kowloon, has reported to the police that while she was on a Star Ferry launch on Wednesday night, someone stole from her pocket a pair of gold bangles, mounted with thirteen diamonds, and valued at \$1,000.

The body of a Chinese mendicant has been removed to the Public Mortuary from a matted on the Praya East Reclamation, opposite to Lee Tung Street, Wanchai. The body was found hanging by the neck from a rope suspended on top of the matted. The police believe it to be a case of suicide.

The annual meeting of shareholders and subscribers to St. John's Cathedral will be held in the Cathedral Hall on Monday at 5.30 p.m. Among the subjects to be considered is the recommendation of the Church Body that pew rents be abolished as from January 1st next. Previous to the meeting the Dean and Mrs. SWANN will be "At Home" in the Cathedral Hall from 4.30 p.m.

As mentioned in yesterday's Orders, the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. WOLFE, C.M.G. (Captain-Superintendent of Police) and the Hon. Commissioners are to carry out a general inspection of the Hong Kong Police Reserve on Tuesday next, at 5.15 p.m. In view of this a practice inspection and parade of the Police Reserve was held yesterday. All units turned out, and their smart appearance and general efficiency created a very favourable impression.

Receiving of letters of administration with the will annexed, in respect of the estate of the late Mr. Evelyn Edward de Willemske Abney, late of The Holly Hotel, Uppminster, Essex, who died at 49, Blackwater Road, Eastbourne, Sussex, on May 21st, 1926, has been granted to Mr. N. J. PERRIN, attorney of Mrs. Florence Bullard Tod Abney, the widow, and residuary legatee. Hong Kong estate is valued at \$9,500, and gross estate in Great Britain at £1,985.

An armed robbery was carried out by seven men, two of whom were armed with revolvers, at an unnumbered matted at Sheung Wai Chung village, Tsun Wan district, on Wednesday. The occupants, a farmer, was bound and gagged, and the robbers decamped with money and jewellery. Another report of an armed robbery came from Kowloon City, where a tea house keeper and his family were the victims of four men, who posed as detectives. These men gained admittance to the premises, and after adopting the usual methods made off with money, jewellery and clothing. In each case, the value of the property taken was small.

WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report, forecast and remarks, issued by the Royal Observatory at 6.37 p.m., stated:—

The anti-cyclone is central to the East of Vladivostok. Depressions are shown to the North-West of Shanghai and over Tongking. Moderate monsoon may be expected over the Eastern portion of the China Sea.

Local Forecast—N.E. or variable winds, moderate; generally cloudy; some rain.

CANTON TREASURY AND THE "IRONSIDES."

(Continued from page 5.)

The Bank of East Asia refused to hand over the money on the ground that the Chu San was not known to them, and the Tak Wing Bank was requested to take the money back, which they did.

Another interesting thing, said Mr. Sheldon, was that Chu Tsi San, who called himself Chu San, was brother-in-law to the fugitive, and had also joined the Central Bank for one day during the fugitive's reign.

Concluding, Mr. Sheldon said that the present manager of the Central Bank of China would say that the money belonged to the Government and to the taxpayers. The "Ironsides" by force of arms took control from December 4th until December 27th when the troops under Li Tsai Hsin ousted them. As regards the fugitive, the case it would be sufficient to say that the fugitive had taken the funds with the felonious intention of depriving the government and taxpayers either for his own aggrandizement or for his friends. As regards the suggestion that the whole affair was of a political nature, he could only say that neither Mr. T. V. Soong, or General Chiang Kai shek had any authority over the Central Bank at the time.

"A Travesty Of Justice."

Criticising the case as a travesty of justice, Mr. Potter said that the prosecution had failed to make out a case for him to answer. The whole thing amounted to sending money to persons and who had failed to receive it in time, and as a result a rival party on taking office turned round and charged the sender with larceny. No jury would ever convict on that evidence. The case was nothing more than the Finance Commissioner sending money to T. V. Soong and General Chiang Kai Shek.

Mr. Potter said that the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, who is in close touch with the Government, should know that there is a T. V. Soong, and that a sort of government is functioning under him. Soong was not a bandit and it would be, indeed, very surprising if Counsel representing the Crown suggested such a thing.

With regard to the charge of removing certain boxes of specie from one place to another, would the Hon. Mr. McL. Messer, of the Hong Kong Treasury, be indicted if he were to remove boxes of money from one place to another? Mr. Potter asked.

The opening for the prosecution, Mr. Potter said, showed no evidence of felonious intent. "As one man to another, do you believe it for a moment, that there was any question of larceny?" he asked the Magistrate.

No Money For Himself.

Counsel further argued that no evidence had been produced to show that any of the money was to go to the accused's pocket. Every cent was either for T. V. Soong or General Chiang Kai Shek.

Mr. Lindsell agreed that from the prosecution's opening nothing had been established that the defendant did put any money into his own pocket.

Mr. Potter also referred the Court to the fact that every payment was supported by a document, the usual routine of the bank. He contended that if the accused were to be placed in the dock at the Supreme Court, no jury would convict him. He also touched upon the Tannery Loan and said that if the accused was stealing the money, he would not liquidate a loan of the Canton Government out of his own takings. This, Mr. Potter said, had clearly shown that there was no criminality in the transaction.

Who Is The Master?

Mr. Sheldon replied that the fact he remembered was that the Government of Canton was under a body of men, of which Li Tsai Hsin was leader and Li had held power uninterruptedly for the past two years. During his absence, the "Ironsides," by force of arms, took control and put in the fugitive to control the Central Bank for three days. Mr. Sheldon added, "When my friend talks of larceny and the definition of larceny, the only thing we could do was to find out who is the rightful master of the money. Li Tsai Hsin has been recognised by the Hong Kong Government for the past two years and what right has any man to come and use the money?"

Mr. Sheldon then referred to the case of Chang Sau Nam—a case, he said, which was parallel to the present one.

Mr. Potter argued that in that case Chang Sau Nam was actually putting the money in his own pocket, but in the present case, the defendant was sending money away for State purposes. And what right he had to do so was not for his Worship to adjudicate. The right was not disputed. In civil action, Wong would have no right, but in this case it was for them to determine what crime he had committed.

Wong, the accused, was appointed Finance Commissioner and during his term of office, he did certain things of which the present government did not approve. Probably Li Tsai Hsin would one day find himself in the same position as his client and be defended by Mr. Sheldon.

(Continued at foot of next column.)

LOCAL WEDDING.

PEREIRA—ROSARIO.

YESTERDAY'S CEREMONY AT THE ROSARY CHURCH.

A pretty wedding took place yesterday morning at the Rosary Church, Kowloon, between Miss Mercedes Rosario, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. S. Rosario, 12, Austin Avenue, Kowloon, and Mr. Roy Alfred Pereira, a teacher at St. Joseph's College.

The bride, who was attired in a frock of white charmeuse, with stain diamante trimming, and carried a bouquet of white roses, was given away by her father. She was attended by Miss Elvira Rosario (her sister) who wore a dress of apple green pearl crepe, and carried a bouquet of pink roses.

The duties of "best man" were carried out by Mr. Clarence D'Souza, of the Colonial Secretary's Office, Singapore. The Rev. Father Spada officiated.

Following the Church ceremony, a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents.

The honeymoon is being spent at Macao, and later at Singapore.

The bride's going away costume was of mauve crepe.

ODD AFFAIR AT SHAUKIWAN.

THEFT OF PIGS?

ONE MAN WOUNDED BY POLICE.

There was an exciting affair yesterday at Shaukiwai when the police, following a raid on a junk, were in pursuit of five suspected robbers, one of whom was shot, two arrested unharmed while two escaped.

Only very brief details are available of the affair, and this morning's police particulars will be awaited with interest.

It appears that two men were seen in Shaukiwai selling pigs. The police suspected that the pigs were stolen, and the two men were detained.

They gave certain information as a result of which the police visited a junk lying just off Shaukiwai. As they approached five men, believed to be robbers, jumped overboard and swam for the shore.

The police pursued them and, as stated, succeeded in arresting two of them while a third was shot, and the other two escaped temporarily at least.

OBITUARY.

MRS. H. F. OSMUND.

The death took place at her residence, St. Joseph's Mansions, Robinson Road, on Wednesday of Mrs. Heriell Fonseca Osmund, an old and very respected member of the Portuguese community.

Mrs. Osmund was 50 years of age, and was the widow of the late Mr. J. D. Osmund. She leaves three sons, one of whom is the well-known billiards champion of the Colony.

The funeral took place last evening at the Roman Catholic Cemetery, Happy Valley, and was attended by relatives and many members of the Portuguese community. There were a large number of floral tributes.

HEALTH OF THE COLONY.

FOUR ENTERIC CASES LAST WEEK.

The health return for the Colony for last week shows more cases of infectious disease than have been recorded over a similar period for some time.

There were four cases of enteric (one British, three Chinese), none proving fatal, and two cases (one Portuguese, one Chinese) of diphtheria. One case of small-pox (Chinese), one of cerebro spinal fever (Indian) and one influenza (fatality complete) the list.

On Wednesday two Chinese cases of diphtheria and one Indian case of enteric were notified.

Mr. Lindsell: I should like to have time to go into the Chang Sau Nam case again. I am with Mr. Potter and I cannot say that a case of larceny has been made out. I will put over the case until 2.30 to-morrow.

FENGTIEN LEADERS' CONFERENCE.

NEARING A CONCLUSION.

NO OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT MADE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PEKING, Jan. 26th.

The Fengtien leaders' conference is nearing a conclusion. Chang Teung Chang, Sun Chuan-fang and Chu Yu-pu having already left for their headquarters for the purpose of preparing for an offensive against Feng Yu-hsiang.

While no official announcement has been made, it is learned from a reliable source that an agreement has been reached upon all political matters. The conference agreed to support Chang Teung Chang in all the changes it was proposed should be made. At present it is unknown exactly what these are likely to be.

HUNAN CITIES CAPTURED BY KWANGSI TROOPS.

(Wah Keng Po.)

SHANGHAI, Jan. 26th.

Ping Kiang and Changsha were captured by Kwangsi forces on the 22nd and 24th, respectively. General Pei Sung-hsi arriving in Changsha on the 26th. The defeated Hunanese retreated towards the Southern part of Hunan and Liu Yang, to the east of Hunan bordering Kiangsi.

YANG SEN RETREATING TO ICHANG.

(Wah Keng Po.)

SHANGHAI, Jan. 26th.

General Wei Yik Sun's 20th Army and General Lo Teh Ping's 2nd Army captured Shasi on 20th. General Yang Sen's troops are retreating to Ichang. General Yang has sent representatives to meet General Lo Teh Ping to make arrangements regarding surrender terms.

TANG SENG CHI "IN DISGUISE."

(Wah Keng Po.)

SHANGHAI, Jan. 26th.

It is reported that General Tang Seng Chi, Commander-in-Chief of the Hunanese forces recently returned from Japan and that he is proceeding to Hankow in disguise.

HUNANESE TROOPS DEFEATED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, Jan. 25th.

Japanese reports received here state that the Hunan troops severely defeated the Hunanese at Ping-hsing on Monday. General Ho Chien's forces were driven back with severe losses from Liu Hsiang towards Changsha.

The sixth and thirteenth armies are expected to enter Changsha to-day.

U.S.A. AND NICARAGUA. SANDINO'S STRONGHOLD OCCUPIED.

U.S. SENATOR'S PROTEST.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

MANAGUA, Jan. 25th.

The United States marines which left on the expedition against General Sandino's stronghold in the hills has occupied the district without resistance.

The stronghold was on the El Chapote Mountain which was bombed by U.S. aeroplanes on January 16th.

Discussion by Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26th.

The Senate's Foreign Relations Committee has discussed the Administration's Nicaraguan policy and is undecided whether to recommend an investigation.

Senator Borah, Chairman of the Committee, who favours a "constructive inquiry" which is of opinion, might be useful towards generally improving relations with the Latin American Republics, stated at the conclusion of the meeting, that the matter would be again brought up.

Meanwhile, the Republican, Senator Blaine, has brought up the matter in the Senate itself with a protest against the employment of marines in Nicaragua.

WORLD AIR-SPEED RECORD.

AN ATTEMPT TO BE MADE AT CALSHOT.

SUPER-NAPIER SEAPLANE TO BE USED.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Rugby, Jan. 25th.

It is learned that the Air Ministry has decided to make an attempt at Calshot in March on a World Air Speed Record, which is at present held by the Italian pilot, Major Di Bernardi.

The machine used will be a supermarine Napier seaplane of the type used in the Schneider Cup Trophy race, but the pilot has not yet been selected.

BRITISH TRADE BOOM.

A GLOWING PROPHECY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Jan. 26th.

A glowing prophecy of improvement in British trading figures was made by Mr. A. M. Samuel, the Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, in the course of a speech at the Working Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Samuel declared that the industrial activity in the Home market was greater than had ever been seen before, while simultaneously the British export industries were meeting with more success against their foreign competitors.

What The Figures Show. He pointed out that the official figures for 1927 showed an adverse balance of £12,000,000 in British overseas trade, but his calculations had led him to the conclusion that Great Britain would record a favourable balance for 1927 of at least £12,000,000.

The trade barometer has been showing, and is showing, a steady rise, notwithstanding the fact that some basic industries, especially the Lancashire cotton factories, were doing badly.

Mr. Samuel gave an instance of Britain's advance in pointing out that in bio-chemical products we easily lead the world.

AMERICA'S JINGOES. PRESIDENT COOLIDGE'S REBUKE.

AN "ICY BUCKET."

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New York, Jan. 25th.

President Coolidge's declaration yesterday, recommending those charged with the nation's defence to follow a policy considering the welfare of the country in public statements, has been featured by the Press as a very apt rebuke to Admiral Plunkett's war warning.

The New York World, in the course of an editorial, says that it is "weary of the loose talk going on. There is worldly horse-sense about the rebuke, which is more devastating than indignation. Mr. Coolidge thereby is pouring the icest bucket of cold water down the spine of jingoism that has been poured for a long time."

Admiral Plunkett Retiring and Going Into Business.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New York, January 26th.

Admiral Plunkett, whose remarks on the subject of war evoked a rebuke from President Coolidge, is retiring on February 15th. He announces his intention of going into business.

CHILEAN OIL WELLS. WITHDRAWAL OF CONCESSIONS SOUGHT.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New York, Jan. 25th.

A message received from Santiago de Chile states that the Minister of Finance has asked the Chilean Congress to enact a law suspending all petroleum concessions.

A Chile Deputy has drafted a Bill providing that the Chilean Government appoint officials to study the best means of making all oil deposits in Chile available to purely Chilean interests.

The Chamber's Approval.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

SANTIAGO, January 26th.

The Chamber approved of the Bill suspending the oil concessions except to Chilean subjects and voted ten million pesos to permit the Government to investigate the country's oil resources.

STORMY WEATHER IN U.S.A.

LOSS OF LIFE AND DAMAGE TO PROPERTY.

TWO SCHOONERS ASHORE.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New York, Jan. 26th.

A gale, which has been raging during the past two days, has caused loss of life and damage to property in Tennessee, where 70 miles-an-hour gusts demolished whole rows of wooden houses along the beaches.

Two schooners are ashore on the New England coast.

PRESIDENT COSGRAVE.

THANKS THE AMERICAN PEOPLE.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26th.

In the House of Representatives applause was evoked on the reading of a letter from President Cosgrave, thanking the American people for the part they played in winning freedom for their Irish people.

THE GERMAN ARMS AGITATION.

OFFICERS NAMED.

REICHSTAG MEMBER NOT SATISFIED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

BERLIN, Jan. 25th.

Pointing out that the names of officers belonging to the Navy Department had actually been published in the newspapers as among those implicated in the Kiel arms seizure, Herr Stöcker, a Communist member, who put the question to Dr. Stresemann yesterday, said in the Reichstag to-day that he considered the Foreign Minister's denials to be unsound.

It might, he said, be perfectly true that the Navy Department itself had not been directly concerned with the proposed shipment, but the fact remained that officers in the Department had been named.

Dr. Stresemann, in reply, expressed the opinion that the Navy Department's denial of the rumours meant that no individual member of its staff was involved.

Names Published. According to the Berliner Tageblatt, the Ministry of Defence contends that the names of the Transport Section have apparently been misused by private firms for business purposes, and has told its representative that the Ministry is supporting police enquiries into the affair to the utmost.

The Berliner Tageblatt declares that it is not satisfied with the explanation and respects the names of two officials alleged to be involved. It suggests that proceedings be taken against them.

ARGENTINE AND TARIFFS.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

HAVANA, Jan. 25th.

Senhor Puyrredon, the Argentine Ambassador to Washington, who is the head of the Argentine delegation to the Pan-American Conference, has announced that the delegation will not sign any Convention for the re-organization of the Pan-American Union, which does not provide for a study of ways and means of reducing if not abolishing the high tariffs existing in inter-American commerce.

Mexico has allied herself with the Argentine in the stand taken up with reference to the tariffs.

NORWAY'S NEW CABINET.

NOTED PROFESSOR ACCEPTS FOREIGN MINISTRY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

OSLO, Jan. 25th.

Mr. Hornsrud, leader of the Labourists and Farmers, has accepted the Premiership and is forming a Cabinet. The noted historical professor, Professor Edward Bull, has accepted the portfolio of Minister for Foreign Affairs.

CAPT. CAMPBELL'S MOTOR-CAR.

ENGINE DEVELOPES 875 H.P.

WEIGHS ONLY 850 LBS.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Rugby, Jan. 26th.

The secrecy which has hitherto been maintained regarding the details of this racing aero-engine which won the Schneider trophy and which is fitted in the motor-car with which Captain Malcolm Campbell will attempt to break the land speed record, was broken yesterday.

The interesting feature of the engine is that it is the smallest and lightest for its power in existence. It weighs 850 lbs. and gives 875 horse power.

The All-Metal Monoplane.

Part publication is permitted regarding the details of the new all-metal monoplane which is the largest ever built in this country and is known as the "Lardner." Rolls Royce Indefatigable. It is of exceptionally large span and is fitted with three Rolls Royce Condor engines, one in the nose and one in each wing.

It is considered probable that Flight-Lieutenant Kinkhead, who flew the Napier in the Schneider Cup race but did not finish the course, will be selected to fly the Supermarine Napier, which won the trophy when an attempt is made in March to break the speed record.

BIG BRITISH RUBBER MERGER.

HEAVY SHARE FLOTATION IN LONDON.

VENDORS' OPTIONS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Jan. 25th.

The prospectus has been issued for the Anglo-Java Rubber Company, and it details the acquisition of a large group of Malayan properties, foreign-owned. The productive capacity of the new estates is estimated to be 28,000,000, the value of the property is estimated at £2,500,000, and the purchase price is £1,800,000.

Shares, which are being issued at the price of six shillings per share, are 2/- each.

The vendors have the option to subscribe for these shares up to 600,000 before December, 1933, at six shillings, and they hold a similar option for a further 400,000 as part consideration for underwriting the present issue, but the option given to the public who subscribed for the debenture issue is 1/- per share till February 1st, 1933.

The value of the property is based on the average selling price of rubber at 1s. 6d. per pound over the next seven years.

H.R.H. AS FARMER.

RECEIVES 70 CANADIAN FARMERS AT ST. JAMES' PALACE.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Rugby, Jan. 25th.

H.R.H. the Prince of Wales to-day received at Saint James Palace 70 Canadian farmers who are visiting this country.

The Prince recognised several whom he had met when he visited his Canadian ranch last year, and the conversation turned mainly on farming matters, in which His Royal Highness is keenly interested.

BIG CONTRACT FOR ENGLISH FIRM.

TENDER WINS ON ITS MERIT.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Rugby, Jan. 25th.

A Birmingham firm has obtained a contract for 50 coaches for the South African Railways to cost £170,000 sterling.

It is understood that the tender was successful on its merits only. There was keen competition from Continental firms, including Belgian and German manufacturers, but the British tender, while not the lowest, was considered to be technically the most favourable.

A VENERABLE WAR PERSONALITY.

BURGOMASTER MAX OF BRUSSELS.

VISITING LONDON.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Rugby, Jan. 26th.

Burgomaster M. Max, of Brussels, a well-known war personality, arrives in London to-day on an official visit to the Lord Mayor.

The aged burgomaster, M. Max, of Brussels, whose independent spirit evinced when the German capital was occupied the Belgian capital, was universally admired, will be sure of a great reception in London.

AFGHAN ROYALTY IN PARIS.

KING AMANULLA AND QUEEN TO BE FETED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Paris, Jan. 25th.

King Amanulla of Afghanistan and his Queen, who arrived at Paris to-day, were solemnly received by President Doumergue, supported by many Cabinet Ministers and authorities.

Crowds lined the streets of Paris, and the Royal visitors were warmly cheered.

A series of brilliant ceremonies have been arranged to take place in Paris for the entertainment of the King and Queen.

Parisian papers, eulogising Franco-Afghanistan friendship, recall in detail the remarkable achievements of King Amanulla during his reign.

S.S. "CALCHAS" ABLAZE AT LIVERPOOL.

A LONG FIGHT WITH THE FLAMES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Jan. 25th.

Fire broke out in the hold of the Blue Funnel s.s. Calchas to-day while the vessel was lying alongside the Liverpool Docks loading cargo for Penang.

It was extinguished after a long fight, the conflagration being more serious because it was necessary to cut through plates in order to get to the seat of the outbreak.

The ship's fittings were seriously damaged, but fortunately very little cargo happened to be on board.

The s.s. Calchas, will in spite of the fire, sail on January 28th, for the East, in accordance with schedule.

The Calchas is one of the finest of the Blue Funnel fleet, being 480 feet long, while her gross tonnage exceeds 10,000 tons. A regular visitor to Hong Kong, she has recently been on the Blue Funnel London-Far East run.

H.M.S. "CALEDON" ARRIVES AT MALTA.

TEMPORARY REPAIRS EFFECTED.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Rugby, Jan. 25th.

The Admiralty announces that H.M.S. Caledon, which collided last Friday in the Dora channel with the Italian oiler Antares, has now arrived at Malta, temporary repairs having been effected.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Rugby, Jan. 25th.

Mr. David Lloyd George, the Liberal Leader, with Dame Margaret Lloyd George, and other members of his family, is arriving back in London this evening from his voyage to South America.

THE "WARATAHS."

HAVE LUNCHEON AND TEA AT SANDRINGHAM.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Rugby, Jan. 25th.

Their Majesties the King and Queen received the New South Wales Rugby Football team, known as the "Waratahs," at Sandringham. The team had lunch and tea with their Majesties.

AMERICAN WIDOW'S ENORMOUS FORTUNE.

MRS. ANNA HARKNESS LEAVES £5107,000,000.

WINDFALL TO TREASURY.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New York, Jan. 26th.

The largest fortune ever recorded in the New York State Tax Department has been by Mrs. Anna Harkness, widow of the late Stephen Harkness, partner of Mr. J. D. Rockefeller, senior, in founding the Standard Oil Company.

Mrs. Harkness' fortune is \$107,000,000 on which \$13,000,000 has been paid as inheritance tax.

On her husband's death several years ago the estate was estimated at \$1,850,000,000, and the enormous increase is due to the consistent rise of the securities composing the fortune, which included over 300,000 shares of Common Stock in the Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey.

The son of Mrs. Harkness is the largest beneficiary, as he receives over \$90,000,000.

"ONE-ARMED SUTTON" IN LONDON.

MADE £300,000 IN 5 YEARS.

NO "YELLOW PERIL."

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Jan. 25th.

The world's greatest adventurer is home in England. He is "One armed Sutton"—Frank A. Sutton, to give him his full name, old Etonian and ex-British Army officer, the man who kept the Chinese civil war alive by making munitions for Chang Tso Lin, the war lord of Manchuria.

Mr. Sutton is a general in the Chinese Army. He has discarded China for Canada.

General Sutton said that during his five years in China he made more than £500,000. "It was not bad earnings," he said, "but I had to work for it. I was the chief military adviser to Chang Tso Lin, and it was my responsibility to provide him with all his munitions."

"China is a wonderful country, but at the moment it is no place for an Englishman. There is one thing that I have learned from my five years in China, and that is that the 'yellow peril' does not exist."

"There is no need to be fearful of China. The people are incapable of organising. They have no directive ability, and a British division of troops could always march through China from one end to the other without trouble. I know, for I have been on the inside of the whole of the Chinese civil war."

General Sutton said, as an instance of the remarkable luck that follows in his train, that after he had made £500,000 from the manufacture of munitions in China and received a £10,000 present from the Chinese war lord, he journeyed at once to Shanghai.

"I walked into the club there," he said, "saw a notice of the club's Derby swansdown, bought a ticket, and won £25,000."

WORST THEATRE SLUMP.

THE RESULT OF THE SNOW STORMS.

LONDON BOX OFFICES IDLE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Jan. 25th.

London theatres had an extraordinarily bad time during Christmas week.

All of them made arrangements for a holiday boom. Some lessened their theatres to give place to a management with a play suitable for the evening, and also to another management with a children's play.

So great a rush for seats was anticipated that the theatres alone, leaving out music-halls, cinemas, conjuring entertainments, and concerts, made arrangements to sell no fewer than 450,000 seats during the week.

Then came the snow and frost, the shortage of taxis, and a general fear of the difficulty of getting home.

In consequence the box offices were idle. The theatres had to exist almost entirely on what money was taken in advance booking before Christmas started.

One pantomime took only £3 in ready money on Boxing Day. All the seats occupied had to be sold before, and even then many of the sold seats were not filled. Another Christmas play took only £2 in cash the worst Christmas week in the history of the theatre.

BUSTER KEATON IN "COLLEGE."

THE UNATHLETIC HERO.

"BEN HUR" ALL NEXT WEEK.

[BY OUR FILM CRITIC.]

Buster Keaton's latest picture "College," which you may enjoy at the Queen's until Saturday, shows the poetic-looking comedian attempting every sort of athletic feat "all for the love of a lady."

Keaton, we all know, is very far from being what he looks, the melancholy poetic youth. Probably he is as fine a sprinter as you will find in Hollywood. He proves this in College for it is a harder thing to fail ludicrously, we had almost said wittily than to succeed. To see him hurdling, putting the weight or pole jumping is as interesting as to see those feats performed by the champion of the sports field, and when he makes an unexpected success those who have tried realise what still is required for this athletic clowning. Many a man who can do quite a creditable pole jump for example would be puzzled to do it as Keaton does. A quarter of a mile run broken by ridiculous leaps is but a prelude to a jump which neatly snaps the pole in half, and lands him stark fast on his head in the saddest beyond the jumping stand.

"College" makes the third good comedy we have seen at the Queen's this week. If not as uproariously amusing as "We're in the Navy Now" it is nevertheless a very good picture with a great deal of subtle humour in it and some excellent acting.

CHARGE AGAINST SHANTUNG SERGEANT.

ALLEGED THEFT IN POLICE STATION.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Jan. 25th.

Queen's — "College" Buster Keaton comedy. On Sunday: "The Irresistible Lover." Monday till Saturday: "Ben Hur."

World — Charles Chaplin's "Gold Rush."

Star — Lillian Joy in "The Wedding Song."

Programme. Queen's — "College" Buster Keaton comedy. On Sunday: "The Irresistible Lover." Monday till Saturday: "Ben Hur."

World — Charles Chaplin's "Gold Rush."

Star — Lillian Joy in "The Wedding Song."

As mentioned last week, a case which is viewed with gravity by the Police Department came before the Court when a Weihaiwei sergeant interpreter was charged with the theft of a blue serge Chinese long gown from a Chinese who was brought to the charge room.

The sergeant appeared before Major O. Willson at the Central Magistrate's yesterday afternoon. Mr. P. P. J. Wolhouse, C.I.E. (D.S.P.) prosecuted and Mr. Lee Ah Nam, sen., was for the defendant.

PLAY A BETTER AND MORE CONSISTENT GAME

USE THE

LONGEST DRIVING,
TRUEST PUTTING,
TOUGHEST WEARING,

GOLF BALL IN THE WORLD.

The

'BLACK'
DUNLOP
MAXFLI.

THE CHOICE OF THE
CHAMPIONS.

EVERYTHING FOR GOLF

GOLF SHOES.



There is no other Golf Shoe in the world like the COTTON OXFORD—it is unique, Golfers—the best Golfers—are thorough going Cotton-Oxford enthusiasts.

\$27.50 PAIR less 10%.



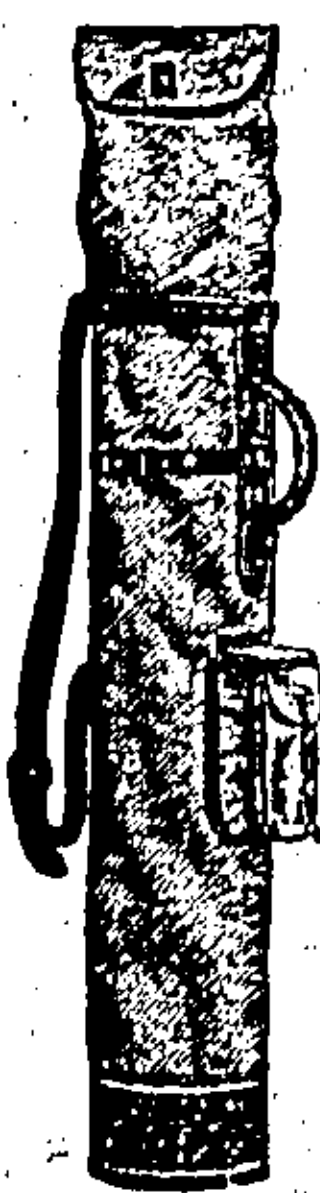
PLUS 4 SUITS

PULL OVERS

FINE SCOTCH HOSE

GOLF GLOVES

CADDY BAGS



No. EWB.

REPAIRS

WE FIT NEW SHAFTS
CORRECTLY IN A FEW HOURS.
ALL KINDS OF GRIPS AND
OTHER ACCESSORIES IN STOCK.

LANE, CRAWFORD, LTD.

SPORTS OUTFITTERS.

INTERPORT GOLF AT FANLING.

HONG KONG UP ON FOURBALLS.

MANILA LEADERS WIN.

A DIFFICULT WIND.

[By R. H.]

As a result of the first day's play in the Interport Golf, Hong Kong have gained a very useful two points over Manila. In other words, Manila will have to win five of the six singles on Sunday to beat the Home team.

There were a number of fine shots played during the day, but the things which struck me most was the number of missed putts. They were the depressing finale to so many well played holes.

In the early morning there was heavy mist on the hills, and it looked about a fifty-fifty chance that it would be a wet day. In fact, Pendered brought out umbrellas for the Manila team, and this had the required effect of keeping the rain off.

The Wind.

A stiff wind was blowing diagonally across the first hole and it was none too easy to put a drive down the left side of the fairway. The wind not only made the control of shots through the green difficult, but it had disastrous effects on the putting greens. Especially after the hot sun had got at them and dried every drop of the early moisture out of them they became terrifyingly slippery. I have said that lots of short putts were missed. I would not dare blame anyone for missing them.

The Start.

Both teams were out early loosening their shoulders down the eighteenth fairway, and trying to get the strength of the last green. Just before 9.30 Capt. K. J. Fielder, who was playing with E. J. Nell against T. D. E. Pendered and L. R. Andrews, struck the first shot of the match, and already my tale begins, for Nell took 3 putts to let Pendered draw first blood. Nell made up for it on the second by holing a fine putt for a three, but he nodded again on the next green, and Andrews and Pendered got the right figures.

The Shots.

In the second match, in which Lieut. J. Cranston and G. Ivory played Capt. F. D. Erskine and Capt. H. F. Bloxham, both Manila players put fine shots on the middle of the third green. Cranston's shot left him a sinkable putt, but he did not do it, and Bloxham, who was also on from the tee, got his 3. Then G. Murray, who was playing with L. G. S. Dodwell against J. R. Mason and Capt. J. J. Yates, put his mashie shot about 4 yards from the pin and gave Hong Kong an early lead of one hole.

I thought Dodwell's drive at the 4th was a really long one, at least I did till I saw Blinks's, who happened to be playing round just behind. I shall probably have plenty to say about Blinks's length to-morrow.

Cross Wind.

There was a very difficult and rather strong cross wind at the Bog, which seemed to trouble all the players. So far as I could see, not one found the middle of the green, and once there putting was rather chancy, as the wind had scattered the green with leaves.

Pendered was hitting the ball very long way and reached the edge of the 9th in two. He was also 10 feet or so from the 11th hole in 2 but took 3 putts and lost the hole. On the 16th Andrews did much the same thing to put Manila 1 up, and then Fielder put a brilliant tee-shot four feet from the pin at the Brasie, and sank the putt. That accounted for Manila's 2 holes lead at tiffin.

The Gem.

There were some interesting tee shots played at the Gem into a stiff breeze. In the top match all four were on, but the great shot was that of Capt. Yates, playing a spoon shot, he was 18 inches past the pin, almost holing out, and evoking a shout of admiration from Lieut. Cranston on the next tee. The other really brilliant shot of the morning was Dodwell's second to the Home hole, which he almost put into the tin from 120 yards or so.

As usual in a 36-hole match the morning round was mainly steady pegging. The positions at tiffin of the various matches were:—

Fielder and Nell 2 up on Pendered and Andrews.
Cranston and Ivory 4 down to Erskine and Bloxham.
Mason and Yates 9 down to Dodwell and Murray.

AFTERNOON PLAY.

I saw more of the top match in the afternoon than of the others. Manila went further ahead at the first, but Nell missed a putt of under two feet on the second, and then astonished himself and everyone else by doing the same thing at the third. Not to be outdone, Pendered sliced a yard putt at the Rise and Manila stood 2 up. The 6th was a grim hole: Pendered finally won it in 3 but no one was on in 3 and there must have been shots played off every club in the bag.

A Crucial Hole.

The 8th was a crucial hole in this match. Pendered hit a long ball about 30 yards from the green, while both Manila players were down the slope. However, Fielder got a fighting 4 and Pendered was very gay with his pitch and run and missed his 4. Thus Manila were 2 up when they looked like being all square.

Again at Land's End after 4 fine drives both Manila players found the green, while Hong Kong did not, and Nell's 4—he also got a 4 at the 9th—was good enough to win, and Manila stood 4 up with 1 to go.

Andrews played the perfect tee shot into the wind at the Gem and sank a stout putt for a 2, and Pendered won the next in 4. At Sandy's Pulpit both Andrews and Pendered had longish putts for a win in 3, but neither would drop, and the end came two holes later when a half in 3 gave Manila the match 3 and 2.

Some Fireworks.

Cranston and Ivory, who stood 4 down at tiffin time to Bloxham and Erskine, opened the afternoon round in a blaze of glory. 3, 4, 2, 4 were their figures for the first four holes, and they took the first three straight off the home players, pulling them back to 1 up. Hong Kong refused to be rattled, however, and were 3 up again at the turn, having gone out in 38. Holes continued to come their way and they finished the match in level 4's at Sandy's Pulpit.

The Third Match.

There were a number of fluctuations in the third match. Manila had gone into tiffin 2 down, and they lost another hole by the 3rd. Then they suddenly struck a patch, and the match was square by the 7th.

The 8th was halved but Dodwell won the ninth in five, and the putts of the Manila players began just to stay out again. The next 3 holes all went to the home side thanks to steady play by both men and failures on the green by Manila. Hong Kong was pulled back one at the Horizon, which meant that they came to Sandy's Pulpit 3 up. Here Dodwell administered what was more or less the coup de grace by putting a magnificent tee shot on the green, pin-high and slightly to the left. This put Hong Kong dormy 4, and though Mason with a despairing effort won the 15th in a fine 4, the end came at the Brasie; the grave of the top match, where a very steady 3 by Murray did more than was necessary.

Results.

T. D. E. Pendered and L. R. Andrews lost to Capt. K. J. Fielder and E. J. Nell 3 and 2.
Capt. F. D. Erskine and Capt. H. F. Bloxham beat Lieut. J. Cranston and G. Ivory 6 and 4.
L. G. S. Dodwell and G. Murray beat J. R. Mason and Capt. J. J. Yates 4 and 2.

Two points are given for each foursome or fourball match, and one point for each single. Consequently the position at the end of yesterday's play was:—

Hong Kong: 4 points; Manila: 2 points.
To-day foursomes are being played between Hong Kong and Shanghai.

CRICKET NOTES.

THOSE RULES.

I have heard nothing more about the reprint of the rules yet but as the season is so far advanced, it would probably be better to wait and let the League permanent people produce a draft at the next meeting together with rules that are said to have been passed since the 1923 edition, but of which no trace remains save, I suppose in the minute book of the League. I find I was in error in my final note last week. Apparently the gentlemen in question asked in 1926 for a copy of the up-to-date rules showing recent amendments, and in reply he got a copy of the rules dated 1923. The only novel thing about it was that it had a red cover. Reflection from Canton then, no doubt.

League Matches.

There was only one match down for decision in the Senior League on Saturday last. Craignower beat the R.A. as I thought they would, but I confess that it was a bit of a surprise to me at first that it was such a close thing. But for the last-wicket stand by Y. Abbas and Modi Craignower would have lost. As it was they hit out and I understand had a bit of luck. The Gunners had a pretty good side out. Musson will strengthen them tomorrow. From the score it looks as if they too had a last wicket stand, but actually Howard, though down last, went in a bit earlier. I am told by one of the R.A. team that the Craignower fielding continues to be excellent.

Second Division Games.

The Junior League matches went very much according to form. The Navy second did very well to run the Varsity second string so close. There seems to have been a somewhat ambrosial flavour about the naval batting, for 99 of their runs were of this order. I admit the Argus-eyed gentleman, who collected 46 not out with much skill, has since sought pastures—and commissions new. But, "quo semel est inibuta." [Note for privileged readers: this calls for the elevation of the right rather than the left pad of the rabbit.] The University batting however is pretty sound all through and they rose to the situation.

The Tamar crashed again. It would be interesting to see how they would do if they had a couple of really sound bats to back up Bensley. I regret that I have never seen him play, but I always seem to find him with a nice score. In this case he appears to have carried his bat through the innings; this is deduced from the score as I didn't see the game. Their lack of run-getters is a great pity as their bowling seems pretty useful. Anyway they got rid of the very fair Recreo batting side for one run and a century.

The Civil Service are just as badly off in the batting way. They have quite a few men who may get a lot of runs—but they only come off one at a time. True, the side last Saturday was composite—Robertson and Paterson (crooked) were notable absentee but on the other hand they were strengthened by Edmonds, Strange and Grimmett who are often called on for the first. (I might herein mention that the two Civil Service teams are in a very difficult position just now, as both find it almost impossible to field a regular eleven. As however neither side is high in the table it doesn't really matter.) Lake and Hale for the R.A.O.C. are a couple of very useful bowlers for a Second League side. Edmonds (5 for 38) and Strange (5 for 25) did their best, but you can't win on 38!

Monday's Game.

The University second seem anxious to wind up their season as soon as possible and took the opportunity of the holiday to play R.E. at Pokfulam on Monday last. They won, by 30 runs, close on time and the Sappers are to be congratulated on a greatly improved showing. This victory makes the University well-nigh safe.

Friendlies.

I have already dealt at length with the Club game. Of other friendlies over last week end, Kowloon beat a side from the University on the K.C.C. ground. (I was told they were playing C.S.C.C. but was misinformed.) The University were on short, and A. A. Ramajha and one or two others of the first were absent. Quick played his first game here but I understand he is a bit short of practice.

The University are never at their best away from home, and they found Goodwin in excellent form with the ball, getting 6 for 22 in ten overs. Brace, Ramsay, Murray and Revis did well with the bat. Gutierrez, probably University's best bowler, was unable to bowl at all, owing, I am told, to a strained back.

The Police beat rather a weak team of the Electric in a very low-scoring match. The winners also were not at full strength.

Monday's Matches.

In addition to the Second League game to which I have already referred there were several friendlies played on Monday last. The Inter-Club match at Kowloon seems to have been a most spirited (I must just) encounter. Seven people had a bowl on each side and a lot of people got runs which after all is a very satisfactory way of arranging things!

The Recreo and Craignower were neither at full strength but I confess I did not expect the former to win.

The Navy second on Tuesday had a day out against the Electric as they rattled up 155 for 6 after dismissing their opponents for 71. Their pace of scoring, I hear, was very rapid. Tansley got 51 and I learn he is playing for the Navy first eleven on Kowloon tomorrow.

An "A" team of K.C.C. beat the China Light and Power after a tie on the first innings. Lawrence and E. F. Fincher got about 100 between them for the first wicket in the second knock, and Hawkins, I am told, took 21 off one over. Kowloon won just on time.

University and Recreo—both weak teams tied with 50 apiece at the Recreo ground.

The League Position.

Craignower are at present second in the First League, but they have played eight matches against five by most of the others. The result seems to me to lie between University and Kowloon and though on paper the odds are on the former with five clear wins, I still think Kowloon will pull it off. I expressed this view in one of H.M. ships the other day and was taken to task for speculating on under-rating the Navy. I don't see a matter of fact. But I am so well aware of the difficulties they have to face, owing to a constantly changing personnel. For instance, I have seen their first picked team on Kowloon to-morrow. I'll wager it won't turn out as selected, but if it does, Dale, Hunt, Thomson and Davies are regular members away from the team. Salter is going almost at once, and Thomson and Cecil I suppose as soon as Herbert gets back. True they have a very fine new wicket keeper in Walker (I think)—newly joined in Titania. This will probably bring Tenn out into the field, where he is excellent—and if I were the Navy skipper I'd give him a couple of overs sometimes. (But not more than three at a time!)

In the Second Division University with seven clear wins are in a very strong position. The only danger comes from Recreo and it is hardly possible to see them now. Recreo and R.A.O.C. will probably struggle for second place. If Lake goes home before the end of the season it will cripple R.A.O.C. a bit.

R. ABBIT.

HONG KONG C.C. 2nd XI.

NAVY.

This game takes place to-morrow at the Hong Kong C.C. ground at 2 p.m.

H.K.C.C.—J. N. Owen, J. E. Hancock, J. Barrow, E. R. West, W. K. Tait, S. J. Jordan, K. A. Mason, A. H. Penn, J. R. Collis, E. A. Simon, A. N. Other.

ENGLAND v. SOUTH AFRICA.

THIRD TEST MATCH DRAWN.

HOME TEAM'S BIG SCORE.

[THROUGH RECTOR'S MESSY.]

DEBATE, Jan. 25th.

According to Rector's cables, play was resumed this morning in sunny weather, the wicket being fairly fast. South Africa who had made 279 for 4 wickets overnight went on to score the fine total of 461 for 6 wickets, declared. The lunch score was 251 for 6, Nicholson having made 76 and Morkel 52. In the afternoon Napen made 73 and Deane 71.

Set to make 251 to win England lost one wicket for 33 runs before the tea interval. Their final score was 132 for two wickets. E. Tyldesley making 62 not out and Holmes 66.

Falling light stopped play, the match being drawn.

The British Wireless Service announces that the fourth Test Match begins at Johannesburg to-morrow (Saturday).

HOME FOOTBALL.

THE F.A. CUP.

FOURTH ROUND MATCHES TO-MORROW.

CURTAILED LEAGUE PROGRAMME.

The fourth round in the F.A. Cup competition will be played to-morrow (Saturday) at Home. In consequence there is a curtailed League programme. There will be no matches in Division I, at all, while in Division II, there will be at least two matches fewer than usual in Division III. (Southern) and four in the Northern section of this Division. The Scottish League (Division I) have a full programme.

There are 32 teams engaged in the fourth round of the Cup, and of these the majority are senior teams.

There are seven Division II teams competing, and their number will most likely be reduced after to-morrow. Four of them are playing away from home, against still opposition. The other three, Reading, Stoke and Port Vale are more fortunate, in having home matches, but they appear likely to be beaten, and each will be lucky if they can force a draw.

Cardiff, who won the trophy last season are playing at home, but will find stiff opposition from Liverpool. Both are well placed in the League and the game should be close and keen. The Arsenal, who were runner-up last year are at home to Everton, who are the leaders at present.

The fixtures in the Cup competition and League for to-morrow are given below:—

THE F.A. CUP.

The matches to be played in the fourth round of the F.A. Cup to-morrow are as under:—

Bury v. Manchester Utn.
Exeter v. Blackburn.
Port Vale v. New Brighton.
Swindon v. Shel. Wednesday.
Southport v. Middlesbrough.
Derby v. Notts Forest.
Wrexham v. Birmingham.
Sunderland v. Manchester C.
Huddersfield v. West Ham.
Aston Villa v. Crewe.
Stoke City v. Bolton Wand.
Tottenham v. Oldham A.
Arsenal v. Everton.
Sheffield U. v. Wolves.
Reading v. Leicester.

ENGLISH LEAGUE.

Division II.

Blackpool v. West Brom A.
Chelsea v. Clapton Orient.
South Shields v. Hull City.

Division III. (Southern).

Brentford v. Luton Town.
Barnet v. B.A. v. Millwall.
Brighton and H.A. v. Crystal P.
Bristol R. v. Newport C.
Merthyr T. v. Gillingham.
Northampton v. Torquay U.
Norwich City v. Walsall.
Plymouth A. v. Coventry C.
Walsley v. Queens Pk. R.

Division III. (Northern).

Ashington v. Hartlepool U.
Barns v. Durham City.
Bradford v. Bradford City.
Darlington v. Accrington S.
Doncaster R. v. Wigan Boro.
Rochdale v. Rotherham U.
Tranmere R. v. Chesterfield.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

Division I.

Clyde v. Airdrieonians.
Dundee v. Hearts.
Dunfermline v. Aberdeen.
Falkirk v. Partick Thistle.
Hamilton Academ. v. St. Mirren.
Hibernians v. St. Johnstone.
Kilmarnock v. Celtic.
Queen's Park v. Motherwell.
Raith Rovers v. Cowdenbath.
Rangers v. Bo'ness.

THE SCOTTISH CUP.

FIRST ROUND REPLAYS.

DRAW FOR SECOND ROUND MATCHES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Jan. 25th.

Replayed matches in the first round of the Scottish Cup resulted as under:—

St. Johnstone, 0; Hearts, 1.
Dundee United, 2; East Fife, 1.
Dumbarton, 2; Hamilton, 3.

The match between St. Johnstone and Hearts was only decided after extra time had been played. The match between Dumbarton and Hamilton was a postponed game.

The Second Round.

The draw for the second round matches to be played on Saturday, February 4th, has been made as under:—

Forfar v. Kilmarnock.
Forres Mechanics v. Hearts.
St. Mirren v. Vale of Ahol.
Dundee United v. Dundee.
Dunfermline v. Leith Amateurs.
Partick v. Nithsdale.
Stenhousemuir v. Alloa.
Ayr v. Falkirk.
Armadale v. King's Park.
Motherwell v. Raith.
Rangers v. Cowdenbath.
Airdrie v. Hamilton.
Queen's Park v. Morton.
Brechin City v. Albion.
3rd Lanark v. Hibernians.
Keith v. Celtic.

JUDD, A MIGHTY HUNTER.

FAMOUS SOUTH AFRICAN SPORTSMAN.

SHOT FIVE LIONS IN SUCCESSION.

The *Evening Standard* was recently able to give some remarkable details of the life of the late Mr. William Judd, the famous big game hunter, who was killed by a wounded elephant in Kenya Colony on Tuesday, in spite of the efforts of his son to save him.

The dangers of big-game hunting are exemplified (writes Mr. John G. Millais) in the death of William Judd. There was a man skilled in the ways of wild beasts beyond ordinary mortals, a magnificent shot and possessing a perfect nerve, and with all his forty years of experience with the great pachyderms, he loses today when the best wins.

Thirty years ago it required good nerves, plenty of luck, and an abundant self-confidence to hunt frequently lions, buffaloes, and elephants in the heart of Africa, but to-day rifles are so powerful and accurate that for the most part a hunter has only to get close up and make an accurate shot to eliminate nearly all danger.

Yet, in spite of all, accidents do happen. Perhaps it is best so, otherwise big-game hunting would not be the great sport it is.

Charged By Buffaloes.

William Judd was, I think, a native of Essex, and went to South Africa some forty years ago. After a trial at farming he soon took to the bush, and became a professional hunter.

Major Cunningham, the well-known hunter, who accompanied President Roosevelt on his African expedition, told me that the most strenuous and nerve-racking time in his life was when he and Willie Judd went up to the Pungue flats by the new Malmesland Railway in the early 'nineties to hunt buffalo for a living.

"We were only armed," he said, "with old black-powder rifles, and there was scarcely a day when we were not charged by buffaloes. For we risked our lives every day."

An East African Pioneer.

Before 1900 Willie Judd was in East Africa with the early pioneers. Here for some years he specialized in hunting bull elephants on the south side of Mount Kenya, principally in the dense bush country to the west of the Amala River.

In time elephants began to get scarce, and the number allowed to be killed, limited, so with population increasing and visitors arriving Judd, turned professional guide, manager and hunter to Safaris. For some years he accompanied Sir W. Milken, and was once with Roosevelt and other distinguished men.

I engaged him as hunter for Major Pulter in 1912, and a more excellent camp manager or better companion could not be found.

His temper (so important a quality on a shooting expedition in Africa, where blood is hot) was marvellous. Nothing was any trouble to him, and what glorious nights we had round the camp fire snuffing cigars of bygone days when Africa was the untrodden field of romance.

His Wish To Come Home.

He had a nice little coffee estate in the Kikuyu Highlands, and this he sold to some profit. Every six months he wrote to me all the gossip of the hunting field and what people were doing. Every letter expressed a wish to come home to England and settle down.

It was just as well he did not, as he would not have been happy. Willie Judd had many adventures with wild animals. One or two I wrote down at the time he told them.

One day Judd came suddenly on eight lions that had just killed a zebra by the Amala River. At such a moment lions are in an excited and dangerous frame of mind. The distance was only 80 yards, and Judd's first shot killed the big male lion dead on the top of the zebra.

Two lionesses then charged him together. He killed one at thirty paces distance and the second within a few feet. There was just time to avoid when two other lionesses charged. Judd stopped the first with a broken back, and killed the second when it was almost upon him. The three other lionesses then beat a retreat.

An Adventure With Solous.

Judd was out one day with F. C. Solous. Both hunters were mounted, and Solous suddenly dashed after a lioness he had seen galloping along a path in the bush in front. It seems, however, that Solous over-ran the beast, which had crouched close to the path without his seeing it.

As Judd followed at a leisurely canter he suddenly became aware of a great yellow body coming through the air at him on his left side.

There was not even time to raise his rifle to his shoulder so he just cocked it up on the pommel and pulled the trigger. The lioness fell dead on the spot.

There are plenty of good hunters in Africa to-day, but none better, (Continued at foot of next column.)

THE GAMBLER'S INSTINCT.

[BY H. A. H. CARSON.]

MONTA CARLO.

Walking through the rooms I came across a friend whom I meet more frequently at Lord's than anywhere else. When I asked the conventional question, whether he had been doing anything, he made the remarkable reply that roulette had no fascination for him except in its resemblance to cricket!

First of all, he said, they are both such infernally dull games to watch. There is a funeral gravity about cricket and roulette which is particularly pleasing to English people who are constitutionally incapable of appreciating boisterousness.

Secondly, you may have a fairly long innings at both games, but the great probability is that you will be "out" at the finish.

Thirdly, if you are going to be any good at all at either game, you must not hit "against the break."

I think that this last piece of advice is the best that can be followed at roulette.

The main cause of heavy losses at Monte Carlo are: Neglect to notice the run of a particular table; the scattering of pieces all over the board; and, greatest of all, a desperate courage when losing, and a deplorable timidity when winning.

The persistent way in which numbers turn up always interests me, though I can no more offer an explanation or reason why a set of numbers should repeat than I know why one man can sit a whole afternoon at bridge and hold only a third of the aces and kings his neighbour does.

Inspired Moments.

Here is a personal experience. I had a conversation from a friend in London to back 5 for him when it looked favourable. For the first three visits I paid to the Casino 5 turned up so rarely at any table that nothing was risked. The actual numbers worth watching the first day were 10 to 24, and on the second day the last six. This was not only at one table, but all through the rooms while I was watching. It was not till the fourth day that I found a table which was producing the desired number, and then 5 came up twice in seven throws.

Here is another inexplicable and, if you like, unbelievable claim by the persistent player. I have met men and women who declare that at rare moments they have a conviction that a certain number will appear and that that conviction may be safely acted upon.

"I think that everyone has these inspirations," said a player who spends his whole winter at the tables, "but very few of us have the courage to take the full advantage of it. I myself very rarely get it, but when I do I see the number standing out as plainly as it shows up on the board."

Two days ago I came across another instance of this. My partner at the bridge table, the wife of a resident at Beau Sejour, told me: "I had been shopping this morning, and had about a hundred francs over, so I ran into the Casino to see what was doing. I seemed to know every number that was to turn up. 7 came up and 18 and 10 and 22, just as if someone had told me. I was afraid to back them, but I did back the dozens and made a nice bit."

Whose Winnings?

This type of vision, if you can call it so, is very curious. I have similar intuitions myself while playing bridge. That is, I have said to myself, my opponent is going to lead the nine of clubs, and down the card has come; but that I think is merely because the lead of that particular card which I know is held by my opponent, is the one card which will put me one down on my contract. In fact, which he knows as well as I do.

That, however, does not explain how it is a certain player at roulette can back three winning numbers, en plein, out of four coups, and yet I saw it done last night. The four numbers were 21, 24, 32, and 2, and I saw a player win the maximum on three of them. He missed 24. It is difficult to see his inspiration.

Here is a little story that caused a slight dispute among the gambling fraternity. A man and his wife, knowing nothing of roulette, were asked by a friend to back 14 directly they went into the rooms, and were given a hundred francs to put on. The number came up, and they received the money, and while they were chatting over their success a man standing by said, "You had better take that money off before you lose it." 14 turned up again, and they had forgotten to redeem their original stake.

The question is, to whom do the second pile of winnings belong, to the players, or to the friend who had inspired the bet? The answer seems to be that the second win belongs to the players, as the piece left on was at their risk and not at the risk of their friend, who had only authorized a single transaction.

with greater experience or more amiable in character than the late Willie Judd. He died like a man with his boots on as a man should.

"EVERYTHING MADE IN BRITAIN."

FEATURES OF THE COMING TRADE FAIR.

AT LONDON AND BIRMINGHAM.

Almost everything Great Britain makes, from huge electrical equipment for a power-house down to the daintiest jewellery, will be seen at the British Industries Fair which is to be held simultaneously in London and Birmingham from February 20th to March 2nd, 1928.

The aim of the organizers has been to make each section thoroughly representative of its own branch of British industry and to establish the Fair still more firmly as an annual commercial event of first-class importance—the manufacturer's means of launching new products and establishing new contacts, the trade buyer's means of keeping in touch with the latest developments in British production and of taking a complete survey of that section of his own interest in his most widely selling market.

Take the section organized by the Association of British Chemical Manufacturers and the British Chemical Plant Manufacturers' Association. It embraces almost every firm of note, including the great combine, Imperial Chemical Industries. The visitor will be able to see for himself the big strides made in the industry in Great Britain within the last year or two, whether it be in heavy chemicals or fine, fertilizers, explosives, dyestuffs, non-skidding road materials, preservatives, disinfectants or drugs. New products will be in the forefront and as a background there will be a complete range of the British chemicals now being made.

That is typical. In the leather and leather goods section there will be shown, besides the huge range of saddlery, bags and trunks, for the manufacture of which Great Britain has always been noted, the latest thing in fashion goods such as ladies' handbags and handkerchiefs. The textile and clothing section, which is to be six times the size it was when inaugurated in 1925, will include every article of clothing from the finest lingerie to fishermen's oilskins. All the great textile areas of the country will be represented and besides mass-production of cloth and garments, there will be home-spun tweeds and other products of rural industries. For the first time the great artificial silk firm, British Celanese Ltd., is to exhibit, its display occupying some 800 square feet.

New Products.

New designs in jewellery; new stainless steel spoons and forks; improved British typewriters and office equipment; a truly unique display of pottery and china and table and decorative glassware; the very best British can produce; and the latest wireless sets and accessories will be other features of the Fair in London. The display of toys and games and sports goods will be the largest and finest yet made. There will be scientific instruments, photographic materials (another section organized by a whole industry), foodstuffs, fancy goods, cutlery, watches and clocks, musical instruments, stationery, furniture, hosiery and brushware.

Another important section in London will be that in which the British Dominions and Colonies will again exhibit their produce.

In Birmingham one of the features will be a display of everything connected with building, from concrete foundations to the most minute fittings. The gas and electrical industries will vie with each other in showing the latest developments in industrial and domestic practice and there will be machinery for every industrial purpose, wire weaving looms, machines for making hardware, for welding steel, brass and aluminium, many of them in operation.

Taking both sections, the coming British Industries Fair will be nearly twice as big as it was in 1926 and bigger even than in 1921, a time of great industrial prosperity.

GERMAN RACE DWINDLING.

BIRTH-RATE HALVED.

BERLIN. The Ober-Bürgermeister of Berlin, speaking in the Prussian Council of State, said that there were only 43,000 children in the schools of Berlin compared with 700,000 before the war. He pointed out that the number of new little citizens arriving annually is less than half what it was before the war. In 1925 the number of births was 26,000, against 79,000 in 1913. He attributed the diminution in the birth-rate principally to the insufficient number of houses.

Dr. Alfred Grojans, professor of the University of Berlin, points out that to maintain the population at the present number there must be 20 births for every 1,000 of population.

Last century, up to 1885, for every 1,000 of the population there were born from 37 to 40 children. In the 46 chief cities of Germany the birth-rate is only 14.2 per 1,000 and in Berlin it is 10 per 1,000.

EARLY MATRIMONY.

MEN WHO MARRIED YOUNG.

INTERESTING COMPARISONS.

The advice given to cadets at the Royal Military College, Sandhurst, by Lieut-General Sir Webb Gillman, Master-General of the Ordnance, that they should avoid matrimony until they were at least 30 years of age, has created considerable interest at Home. The advice was given at the half-yearly passing-out inspection of the college. Sir Webb said that a soldier's freedom of movement was sometimes cramped by his being married when he was young, for he was liable to be ordered anywhere and at a moment's notice.

Investigations indicate that many famous men in the Navy, Army, and Air Force have married much later than leading men of other professions, as the following lists show:

Earl Haig, 44; Sir W. Robertson, 34; Sir George Milne, 39; Sir Ian Hamilton, 34; Earl Beatty,

39; Earl Jellicoe, 43; Air Vice-Marshal Sir Sefton Branker, 30; Air Vice-Marshal Sir Geoffrey Salmond, 32.

On the other hand, Lord Plumer married at 27 years of age. Among politicians the leaders of the three great parties all married young.

Mr. Baldwin, 25; Mr. Lloyd George, 23; Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, 30.

Famous men in the legal world married even younger:

The Lord Chief Justice (Lord Hewart), 22; The Lord Chancellor (Lord Cave), 29.

Literary men, artists, and actors were usually on the young side of 30, though there are several notable exceptions:

Mr. Bernard Shaw, 42; Mr. Rudyard Kipling, 27; Mr. G. K. Chesterton, 27; Sir William Orpen, 27; Sir John Lavery, 34; Mr. Jacob Epstein, 33; Sir Frank Benson, 28; Sir Gerald du Maurier, 30.

Men of science and dignitaries of the Church appear to marry a little later:

Sir Oliver Lodge, 36; Sir Arthur Keith, 33; Sir E. Rutherford, 30; Dean Inge, 45; The Archbishop of Canterbury, 30; The Bishop of Birmingham, 43.

WIFE "GOADED TO DEATH."

HUSBAND ARRESTED FOR MANSLAUGHTER.

Kendall Cowgen, aged twenty, has been arrested in Chicago on a charge of manslaughter for the unprovoked reason, according to the warrant, that he "goaded his wife to death."

The authorities, although Cowgen did not return to his home until three hours after his wife, Viola, aged eighteen, had taken her own life by gas, hold him responsible for her death, saying that a heated argument led his young wife to commit suicide.

"I became angry and said bitter things," Cowgen told the police.

Then I slammed the door, went out, and three hours later, when I went back, I found her dead."

The authorities declare that Cowgen is the first husband arrested on such a charge in Chicago, and that the charge, if sustained, may serve as a new legal precedent.

THE MILWAUKEE ROAD

presents to the traveling public

The NEW OLYMPIAN

Finest Train Through America

A new train, modern beyond all present standards. As luxurious as a hotel, with unsurpassed comforts and service, and yet no extra fare is charged. The following features proclaim the great New Olympian the leader of all transcontinental trains:

ROLLER BEARINGS

Smooth starts, gentle stops. A delightful gliding motion.

ELECTRIFICATION

For 660 miles—nearly one-third of the journey from Seattle to Chicago—the road is electrified.

NEW CARS

Modern all-steel cars of new design. Observation car compares in appointments with the salon of an ocean liner. Parlor luxuriously equipped. Women's lounge with adjoining bath. Men's smoking lounge with separate bath. Barber, valet, ladies' maid. Buffet service at all hours. Sleeping-cars specially designed for greater comfort and privacy. Soft coiled spring mattresses in all berths. Compartments and Drawing Rooms luxuriously fitted; ample space for clothing, toilet articles and luggage; special wall clock; shoe servitor. Dining-car as inviting as your favorite cafe and with unrivaled cuisine.

FRICTION BUFFERS

Adjust the slack between cars. The train moves as a unit.

MODERN ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT

Electric food-mixers! Electric lighting of new design! Electric ventilating system which provides one thousand feet of pure, fresh air per hour to every passenger.

THROUGH SERVICE

The New Olympian is the only transcontinental limited that operates over its own rails the entire distance between Seattle and Chicago. Seventy hours between Seattle and Chicago over the shortest, most modern route.

For further information, tickets and reservations address your nearest steamship office, American Express Travel Bureau, Thos. Cook & Son, or



The Longest Electrified Railroad in the World

R. E. CARSON, Gen'l Agent
Pass. Dept., Seattle, Wash.
R. F. RANDALL, District Pass.
Agent, San Francisco, Calif.
J. F. BAHL, Asst. Gen'l Pass.
Agent, Seattle, Wash.
W. B. DIXON, Gen'l Passenger
Agent, Chicago, Ill.
Cable Address "Milwaukee"

Our Representative Meets All Steamers

RACE WEEK

THE BEAUTY STAKES

LANE CRAWFORD'S
RACE FROCKSWILL LEAD THE
FIELD

SEE THEM TO-DAY

(MEZZANINE FLOOR)

For The Races

PAMELA

has received from Paris

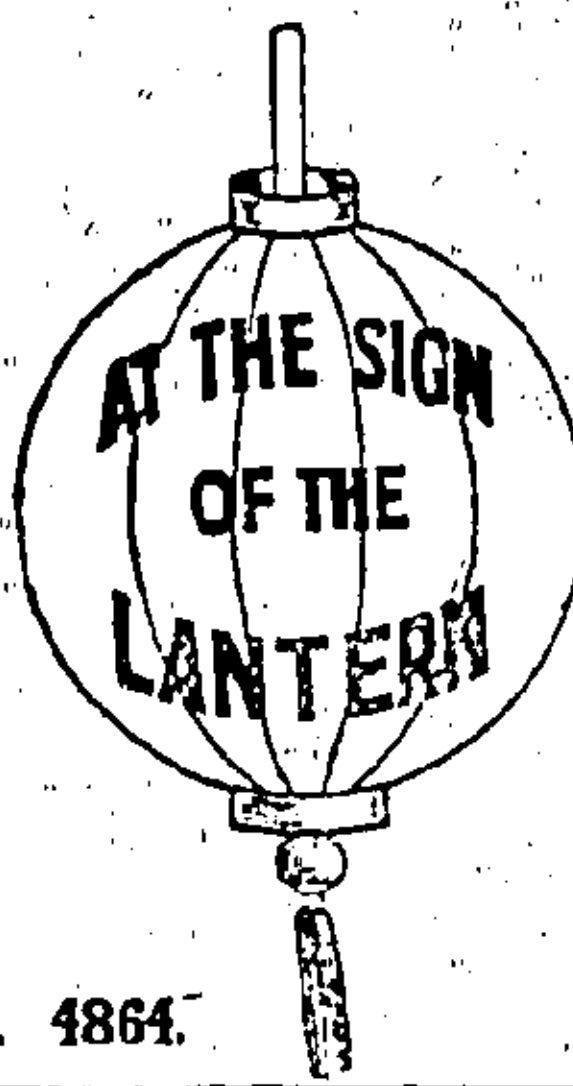
New Hats

which merit early inspection;

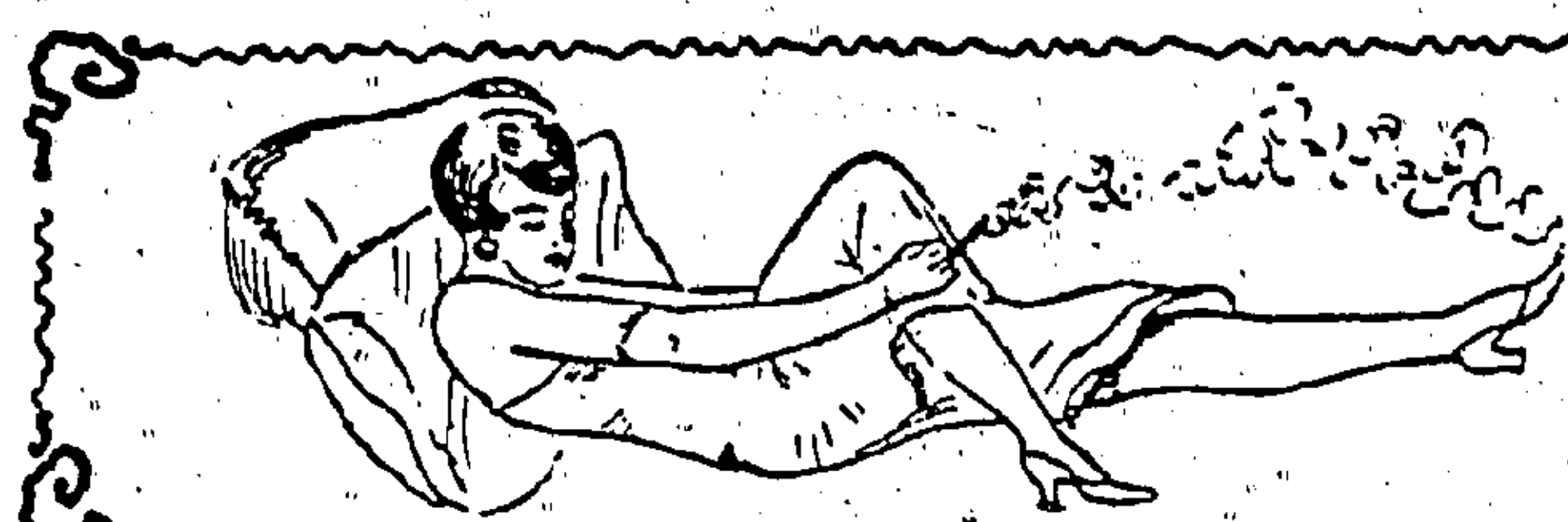
and from London,

Evening Dresses, and
Brocaded Bridge Coats.

13, Queen's Road Central.

HATS AND FROCKS
FOR THE RACES
JUST ARRIVED.York Building,
Chater Road, Tel. C. 4864.

LADIES,

LET AN ARTIST
HELP YOU CHOOSE.It is of paramount importance to you
that your style be all that art can make
it. One false touch, or a little some-
thing overdone, and your *l'out-ensemble*
fails to convey that message your
secret wish would send.CALL & INSPECT OUR
LATEST PARIS GOWNS.
JUST ARRIVED.MADAME R. SARRAULT,
10, ICE HOUSE STREET, HONG KONG.The
WOMAN'S PAGE

PRETTY THINGS FOR THE RACES.

SEEN IN THE LOCAL SHOPS.

THE FIRST RACE FROCKS

An interesting new collection of dresses has just arrived *chez* Pamela. Most of them are of the smart afternoon type designed for the races, others are dinner or dance frocks.

The clever use of reversible satin, insertions, antique jewellery and curiously cut drapery gives them charm and distinction, and though at first sight the new models do not look very different from those created for last year, there are very wide differences when you see them side by side. Cut is everything, or nearly everything, today; and the apparently simple models are, when you come to examine them, put together like a jig saw puzzle. There was one little dance dress in a deep claret shade of georgette, for instance, plain in cut but for the wing draperies and side flares. But those draperies are designed on the bias each one a different and quite indescribable shape when laid out flat. The one which falls from the right shoulder is fastened behind the arm hole and is very roughly triangular in shape, its pair comes from the front section of the left arm hole and is almost circular. The skirt flairs reverse this process in a modified form.

Picture Frocks.

A simple model on the becoming picture lines has a full skirt, made in layers rather than frills, toning from pearl beige to dull *faulle* most attached to a pearl beige satin bodice. The skirt is cut very full and rather as though it were intended to cover a sun shade except that it is longer at the sides than at the back and front. A stronger note of colour is introduced by a flower in a piquet and flame colours. A very short full picture frock of leaf green taffetas is lengthened by an underdress of green and gold tissue, the effect is almost that of panniers. Round the waist is a girdle of small flowers made of the taffetas with gold centres. Pink georgette makes a very charming youthful frock with a long skirt which is a mass of tiny frills, and silver ribbon girdle.

Satin And Lace In The Afternoon.

Among the very lovely dresses which Pamela has already received for the race season there are several which show a clever combination of satin and lace. A smart model in which both sides of black satin are used with great effect has a panel of Paris-shade lace which runs up from the hem and is inserted about half-way down the bodice, below the surplice collar. A very charming antique brilliant brooch fastens the waist.

Another frock of brown satin has a paste brooch set low down on the bodice. The material is trimmed with cleverly inserted pieces of the reverse side of the satin, and georgette and silk lace of a lighter tone are combined with it. This model with its uneven hem line, wide sash which ties on the left at the back, and pretty wing sleeves, shows how a really elaborate and complicated frock can be given an air of simplicity and *chic* by exquisite cut. There is nothing fussy about it, nothing crude, and yet it is exceedingly smart.

A Complicated Skirt.

Pearl beige satin is combined in another smart race dress with beige georgette of a slightly pinky tone, and silk lace which emphasises rather the yellow tones of the beige; a very clever combination which gives a warmth of tone which is lacking in so many beige gowns. The frock is of satin, the skirt being mostly lace but made in two thicknesses, so that the upper lace vandyke does not fall exactly over the under one. The under-dress which shows in the front and at places throughout the lace is of pinky beige. A big brooch of gold Toledo work puts a finishing touch at the waist. The effect of the skirt is unusually pretty, in some places the satin shows through the lace in others the georgette.

CLOAKS, HATS AND
FLOWERS.

The interest in dance frocks will soon be waning in favour of toilettes for the races; already the shop windows are blossoming out with hats, dresses, flowers and lovely cloaks on which we hope the sun will shine in Happy Valley. Most of these delightful things are still on their long journey over the seas, but a few have arrived and look as fresh and uncrumpled as if Paris were in the New Territories.

Powell's have a few hats and coats which give one a glimpse of what is coming. The hats have, most of them, fairly wide and graceful brims of lace or georgette and are trimmed with a large drooping flower rather like those we wear on the hips of our dance frocks.



This very smart coat is a good example of the latest fashion with its full collar and front flounce of fur, and the cleverly draped front panel.

Green georgette has a brim of gold lace and a large flower; fine black straw is completed with a black lace brim which is cut quite close to the nape of the neck at the back and has a suggestion of the poke bonnet in front. A very smart model in *bois de rose* straw is trimmed with a flat posy of pink and mauve flowers on either side of the gracefully drooping brim. A memory of several years ago is awakened by a green and beige georgette but which has a long floating scarf of the green material which can be wound round the neck or left to hang free as you please.

Satin Coats.

A distinguished looking coat has been evolved of two sides of satin in the new *maron* brown. It is made of the smooth surface and trimmed with inset bands of the

(Continued on next Column.)

BY THE WAY.

BLUE TICKETS.—Next week is blue ticket week at Whiteaway. Laidlaw's, and there are many very special bargains to be had.

SPONGES.—Snaugs are half galoshes. Overshoes or galoshes whichever you call them cannot claim to be ornamental, but they are certainly practical, and if you can muster sufficient common sense to put them on over your pearl patents on soaking days, a "Snaug" is certainly the best choice. They fit right up to the heel and are cut so, as to cling well in under the instep; they are made in a variety of widths and certainly look far less gals-like than most of their kind. You can get them at Lane, Crawford's.

REVERSIBLE WOOL RUGS.—In Whiteaway, Laidlaw's I found some very nice wool rugs in four different sizes. They are reversible, washable and fadeless and are strongly made of all-wool yarn, in several pretty colours and designs, at a very reasonable price.

CHOKER NECKLACES.—I was delighted to find in the Sign of the Lantern some very pretty choker necklaces in imitation jade and coral, etc. They are well made and finished and cost \$5 a string. As you know these tight fitting necklaces of large beads are very fashionable and look especially well on those who wear a shingle or an Eton crop.

RAYON CREPE.—I discovered yesterday a new material in the Pioneer Silk Store called Rayon Crepe. It is 20 inches wide, and in a wide range of colours with a woven self colour, or damask check. This material, which is solid and washes splendidly would be good for street or afternoon frocks for present wear. It is only \$2.50 a yard.

CHECK FUR.—I was shown at the same time the latest *Fuji* which has a small cross line check in brown, grey, blue or green, on a white ground. I think there were also other other colours. This material is guaranteed not to fade or run in washing.

CRUMMIES AT HALF PRICE.—Whiteaway, Laidlaw's stocktaking sale is still in progress and among other excellent bargains are many rolls of crummees at one dollar a yard, which were originally more than twice that price.

SILK STOCKINGS.—Both the well-known "Three Knot" and "Phoenix" brand silk stockings have been very much reduced during Whiteaway, Laidlaw's sale, the former are \$2.50 and the latter \$1.50 a pair, in all colours and sizes.

BABY CARRIAGES.—There are two or three wonderful bargains in well made baby prams to be had in the same shop. They are offered at much less than half price and are reliable articles in every way.

ribbed side. Black satin has collar and cuffs of soft grey fur, and a lovely wrap in a curious new colour called mauve nude, really a sort of pinky beaver, has a thick roll collar the fullness of which is very gracefully corded.

Flowers for Day or Evening Wear.

Some perfect flowers have also arrived. I hope for your sake that the same fate will not await them as overtook Powell's last consignment which were all eagerly snapped up on the first day they were offered for sale. Silk organidia and ribbon, with small jewelled centres or a splash of metal paint on one or two petals, have been used to make the most attractive blossoms. Most of them are very large single flowers, but there are among them some of those delightful flat posies in a ribbon basket which are meant to be applied on the picture dresses, and a few more natural sprays. By the way flowers are worn on the hip now hardly ever on the shoulder, except, of course, for day wear.

THE PIONEER SILK
STORE

Particularly invites your inspection

TO-DAY
of the attractive display ofRAYON CREPE,
Small self checks in all colours
\$2.50 per yard.INDIAN SILK CARPETS.
REVERSIBLE HAORI COATS.

ELIZABETH ARDEN

NEW YORK.

PARIS.

LONDON.

ELIZABETH ARDEN, whose smart Salons are frequented by the most beautiful women of the fashionable world, sends these wise suggestions to all women:

Don't mistake the cultivation of loveliness for make up. They are miles apart! It is wisdom, of course, to make subtle use of the violet accessories to enhance and accent the features and the natural colouring. But it is tragic to try to hide blemishes with cosmetics, for each year you will grow more dependent on these artificial means of concealing the ravages of your unwisdom.

Learn to care for your skin scientifically, to keep it young and naturally lovely. Quickened the circulation that carries off poisons and brings fresh colour to cheeks. Nourish the tissues to keep them firm and round. Drive away all signs of age by holding the keen contour and the radiant sparkle youth. You can!

The Vaseline Preparations, which I made first for the treatments given in my Salons, are now on special display at

WATSON'S

whose assistants will give every information and advice concerning the preparations most suited to individual cases.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.

THE HONG KONG DISPENSARY.

LUXURY WITH ECONOMY.

POHOOMULL BROTHERS

are showing to-day

Persian Dancing Coats

and a large and varied selection of

Cantonese Shawls

in new and attractive designs.

There are still a few bargains in
remnants of Silks.DO YOUR SHOPPING AT
POHOOMULLS.

BLUE TICKETS BARGAINS

AT

WHITEAWAYS

IN

LADIES' HATS

LADIES' HOSE

LADIES' UNDERWEAR

LADIES' COATS

LADIES' DRESSES

LADIES' SHOES

CHILDREN'S JERSEYS

CHILDREN'S SUITS

CHILDREN'S SHOES

COME EARLY. BEST BARGAINS GO FIRST.

WHITEAWAY, LAIDLAW & CO., LTD.
HONG KONG.

WOMAN'S PAGE

(CONT'D.)

BY THE WAY.

ENGLISH ALUMINUM.—In Whiteaway's I found too a large consignment, which had just been unpacked, of English Aluminium kitchen utensils. The "Diamond Brand" is, as you probably know, very reliable, well shaped and welded, and the price, despite the fact that they have come so far, seemed to me more than one would give at home. If your pots and pans need renewing this is an excellent opportunity, and in any case one more saucepan or fry pan is always welcome.



A very popular hat in Paris at the moment is one that has its brim cut over the right eye so that one side can be turned up sharply against the crown and the other flattened against the cheek.

When this model first made its appearance the upstanding point was secured to the crown by a jewelled pin or brooch, but the latest examples of this style of millinery are fitted with the jewelled corner clips recently brought out by a world-famous jeweller.

This black Angora felt hat is a model that could be copied quite easily by an amateur, as once the brim has been cut it is very little trouble to arrange the two points to suit the wearer.

INDIAN CARPETS.—The Pioneer Silk Store had a huge bundle of Indian silk rugs and small carpets waiting to be unpacked when I went in. I saw an advance sample which was very pretty and low in cost.

LEATHER HAND-BAGS.—Pohoomul's have a number of new hand-bags with stamped and coloured designs which are well made and very pretty.

OVER A DANCE DRESS.

SHAWLS AND COATS WHICH RIVAL THE RAINBOW.

The dance coat is the newest addition to the evening ensemble. It is made from broad or broad-edge fabric and is lined with georgette to match the dress over which it is worn.

But the charm and variety of the wraps which are designed for use with dance frocks seems endless. You may wear one of these new dance coats for which you could get exquisite material here, or you may remain faithful to the haori coat in any one of its delightful varieties. Shawls, especially here where we can get such inexpensive and gorgeous ones will never lose their popularity.

A visit to Pohoomul's showed me that there is no reason at all why we should not have as smart and modern dance wraps here as are being worn in Paris, even smarter for we are in direct communication with the source of supply, the silk looms of the East. I saw some very original dance coats which, though gorgeous, would be extremely striking worn with the right dress, and others of more sober hues. A fringed dancing coat of Tuscan red with a bold conventional pattern in grey and black; and another one in turquoise blue printed with a Persian design round hem and neck in cherry red, struck me as being quite out of the ordinary, and particularly happy examples of the use of pure colour. A pale turquoise blue mandarin coat, with an exquisitely drawn square of a Buddhist priest worked in dull gold thread as its sole ornamentation would, I felt, create an immediate success at home or in Paris, both for its beauty and originality.

A very large consignment of shawls has just arrived at the same shop in anticipation of the approaching tourist season, and it would be as well if you are in need of a shawl to get the first pick before these eager buyers arrive. I read that in Paris now it is considered very chic to wear shoes of the same material as your dance coat, which is lucky for us as we can get the material here to make both at far more reasonable prices than they can in France.

LIKE LITTLE MICE.

SHOES THAT SPEAK OF SPRING.

Little mice creeping in and out under many petticoats have gone out of fashion. Shoes and stockings are as important as any other articles of dress, more so than many, for so much of them is seen, and the way in which we sit now a days makes them even more prominent. The natural consequence is that shoe fashions change as rapidly as those of hats or frocks. Each season, and there are at least four in the dress year, brings new shoes, which make the last purchases look demodé.



A very graceful dance frock in orchid georgette with a diamond belt. The skirt with its modernistic lines and pretty pointed skirt is very becoming.

The New Colours.

There seems to be a very definite stressing of light beige shoes in the new collections. There are a few chic models in caramel and a new rose beige, while some of the former tan beiges are seen also; but there is no doubt that light or grey beige, or the very latest pearl tints are the smartest wear at the moment.

The New Shapes.

As for shape a fairly long model with a slightly rounded toe is the best, though there are indications that the French short vamp may be seen soon. Heels vary according to the cut of the shoe. With court shapes, which are being introduced for evening wear, you generally find the Spanish spikeheel, often cut in a pentagon with a very small base and quite decided angles. Shoes of lizard or crocodile for walking have a low small heel and a single strap. Powell's are showing some beautiful models with a well designed arch support which are as simple as a glove, a grey beige lizard skin is very tempting both in cut and price. Afternoon shoes have either one or a double strap and a medium Louis heel. One of Powell's models shows a combination of pearl glaze and real lizard which is exceedingly smart.

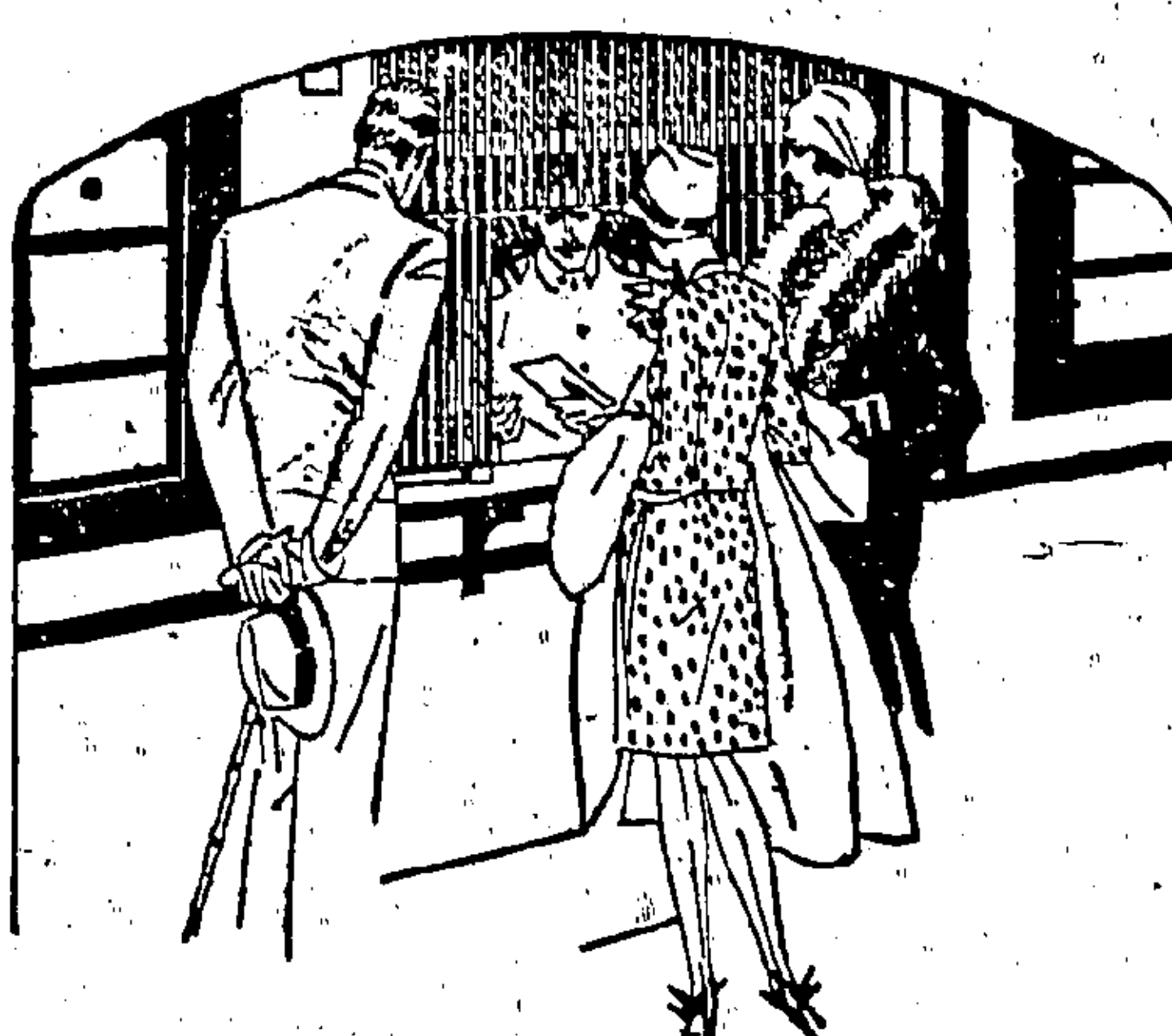
Pearl Patent.

The very latest material for smart footwear is Pearl Patent, a very lovely pearly beige colour with the gloss of black patent. A court shaped model stocked by Lane, Crawford's is bound with straps of grey lizard. Another of their light beige patent has a double instep strap. It is worth noting that straps are definitely coming forward on to the instep, and in consequence the cut-out side has been abandoned.

Ribbon Bows.

A pretty variation which is to be seen in some of the latest models is a bow of ribbon to match the shoe, with tags of the same leather, which is threaded through the ends of rather ornamental straps and ties them together on the instep. A rose beige patent afternoon shoe which I saw in Lane, Crawford's is made in this fashion, as is also a very smart evening shoe of black satin with a half heel of gold kid stamped in a design in gold blue.

Both Lane, Crawford's and Powell's by the way, are expecting large consignments of shoes of which those I have described are the advance models.



Courtesy is in Your Ticket

The Thinking Traveler always uses President Liners, because he knows that he will constantly receive that genial, courteous, personal service and attention that ensures him of pleasant, carefree and enjoyable voyages.

The magnificent President Liners are broad of beam and exceptionally steady. All are oil burners, swift express liners. The public rooms are luxuriously appointed and inviting. All staterooms are outside, splendidly furnished and equipped with beds—not berths. Each room has hot and cold running water, also fans, wardrobe, thermos bottles and reading lamps. Private bath and showers in connection with many rooms perfect the travel comfort of these giant passenger liners. The Cuisine is world famous. The deliciously prepared menus will delight you. And how the orchestra adds zest to your dining.

The decks are spacious. The Glass-enclosed Promenade always popular. Deck sports, open air swimming pool, movies, evening dances, everything has been done to make your trip a happy one. Unexcelled anywhere—is the courteous and efficient service accorded you by the trained personnel aboard the President Liners.

The great frequency of sailings and the liberal stopover privileges of the Dollar Steamship and American Mail Lines have made these giant passenger liners outstandingly popular among travelers.

WEEKLY TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE

To SAN FRANCISCO and LOS ANGELES
The Sunbeam Line via Honolulu
Fortnightly sailings on Tuesdays

Pres. Cleveland... Tues. Jan. 31st, 5 a.m.
Pres. Pierce... Tues. Feb. 14th
Pres. Taft... Tues. Feb. 28th
Pres. Jefferson... Tues. Mar. 13th

To SEATTLE and VICTORIA
The Short, Straight Route to Alaska
Fortnightly sailings on Wednesdays

Pres. Madison... Wed. Feb. 8th
Pres. Jackson... Wed. Feb. 22nd
Pres. McKinley... Wed. Mar. 7th
Pres. Grant... Wed. Mar. 21st

Special Through Rates to Europe, via United States, £120, £112.
Direct connections with all Atlantic lines. Choice of railway lines across United States and Canada, with liberal stop-over privileges for sight-seeing.

To EUROPE AND NEW YORK
ROUND THE WORLD

Fortnightly sailings on Tuesdays via Manila, Seattle, Colombo, Suez Canal, Alexandria, Naples, Genoa, Marseilles, Port of Spain, New York.

Pres. Wilson... Sun. Jan. 29th, 8 a.m.
Pres. Van Buren... Sun. Feb. 12th
Pres. Hayes... Sun. Feb. 26th

Pres. Polk... Sun. Mar. 11th
Pres. Adams... Sun. Mar. 25th
Pres. Garfield... Sun. Apr. 8th

To MANILA

Pres. Wilson... Jan. 29th, 8 p.m.
Pres. Madison... Jan. 31st, 8 p.m.
Pres. Pierce... Feb. 6th, 6 p.m.

Pres. Van Buren... Feb. 12th, 6 p.m.
Pres. Jackson... Feb. 14th, 6 p.m.
Pres. Taft... Feb. 20th, 8 p.m.

For Bookings, Passenger and Freight Information Apply to
Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank Building, Ground Floor
Telephone Central 2477, 2478 and 795
Cable Address "Dollar"

Dollar Steamship Line
and
American Mail Line

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.
AND
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

FROM UNITED KINGDOM
VIA SINGAPORE

CONSIGNEES per Co's Steamer "TROLLUS"
are hereby notified that the Cargo will be discharged into Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, where it will lie at Consignees' risk and subject to Terms and Conditions of Storage at Holt's Wharf. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Godown on and after 25th January, 1928.

Optional Cargo will not be landed here, unless Notice has been given prior to Steamer's arrival, but carried on from port to port to the final port of call to which the option extends.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and Noon, within the Free Storage period.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 31st January, 1928, will be subject to Rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 14th February, 1928, or they will not be recognized.

NO FIRE INSURANCE WILL BE EFFECTED.
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
25th January, 1928. [5810]

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The B.I. and Apecar s.s. *Talamba* left Singapore for Hong Kong on the morning of the 22nd inst., and is due here to-day at 3 p.m.

The R.M.S. *Empress of Australia*, on her round the world cruise, left Colombo on January 24th, and is due at Padang to-morrow (Saturday) at 8 a.m.

The R.M.S. *Empress of Canada* (Captain S. Robinson, C.B.E., R.N.R.) will leave here for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., via Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama at 6 a.m. on February 15th (Wednesday).

CONSIGNEE NOTICES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.
AND
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

FROM UNITED KINGDOM AND CONTINENTAL PORTS
VIA STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES per Co's Steamer "NELBUS"
are hereby notified that the Cargo will be discharged into Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, where it will lie at Consignees' risk and subject to Terms and Conditions of Storage at Holt's Wharf. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Godown on and after 25th January.

Optional Cargo will not be landed here, unless Notice has been given prior to Steamer's arrival, but carried on from port to port to the final port of call to which the option extends.

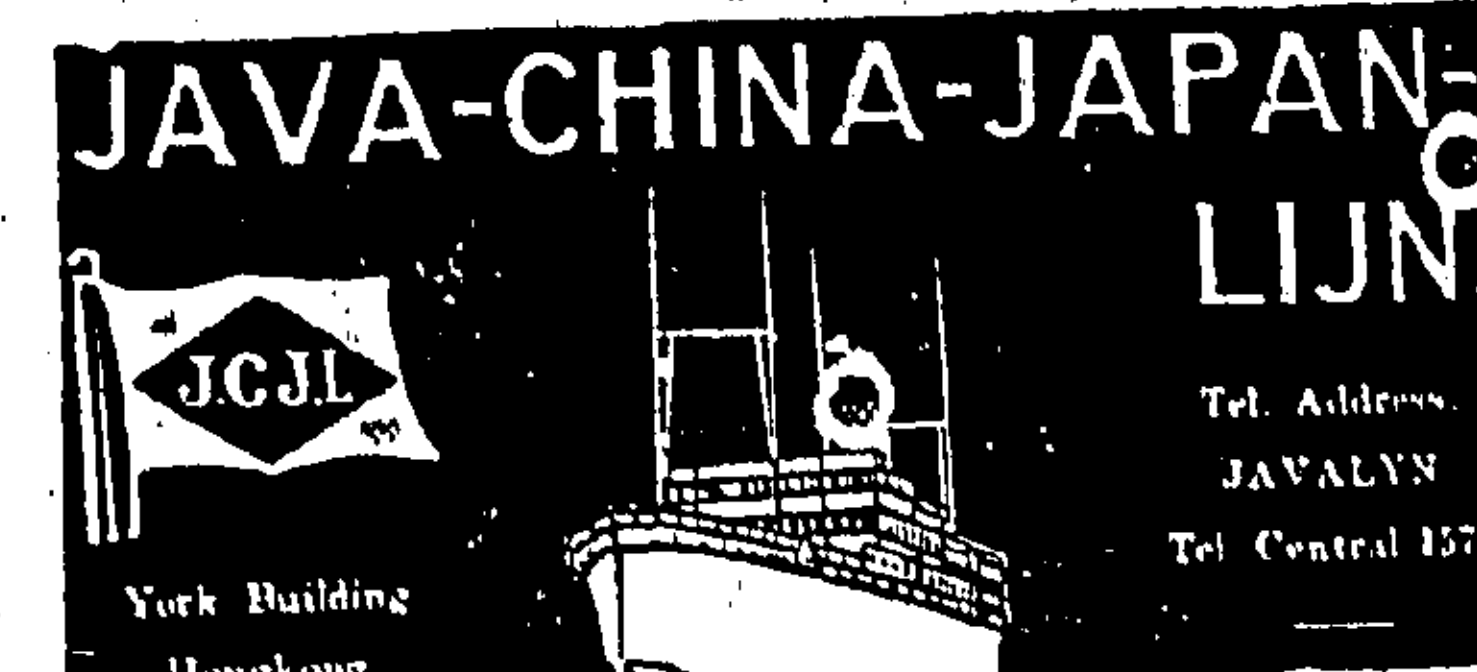
All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and Noon within the Free Storage period.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 31st January, will be subject to Rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 14th February, 1928, or they will not be recognized.

NO FIRE INSURANCE WILL BE EFFECTED.
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
25th January, 1928. [5809]

OVER HALF A CENTURY REPUTATION
Dr. LECLERC'S CURE FOR
GOUT, GRAVEL, RHEUMATISM, NEURALGIA, MIGRAINE, SCIATICA, BRUISES, SWELLINGS, AND ALL AFFECTIONS OF THE URINARY SYSTEM.
Price 1s. 6d. per bottle. Sole Agents: Messrs. J. L. & Co., Ltd., 10, Market Street, Singapore.
Dr. LECLERC'S CURE FOR
GOUT, GRAVEL, RHEUMATISM, NEURALGIA, MIGRAINE, SCIATICA, BRUISES, SWELLINGS, AND ALL AFFECTIONS OF THE URINARY SYSTEM.
Price 1s. 6d. per bottle. Sole Agents: Messrs. J. L. & Co., Ltd., 10, Market Street, Singapore.



REGULAR FORTNIGHT SERVICE BETWEEN JAVA, CHINA AND JAPAN

STEAMERS	FROM	EXPECTED ON OR ABOUT	WILL LEAVE ON OR ABOUT	FOR
TJIBODAS	JAVA, MACASSAR	31st Jan.	2nd Feb.	Stow AMOY, SAIGON
TJIKEMBANG	BATAVIA	2nd Feb.	4th "	AMOI, SHAL K'UNG
TJISONDARI	SHAL, K'UNG	6th "	8th "	BATAVIA
TJILEBOET	N. O. & AMOI	13th "	15th "	NORTH CHINA
TJITAROEM	JAVA, MACASSAR	13th "	15th "	MACASSAR & JAVA
TJILWONG	BATAVIA	16th "	18th "	AMOI & N. CHINA
TJIKARANG	SHAL, K'UNG	20th "	22nd "	AMOI, SHAL K'UNG
TJIKEMBANG	SHAL, K'UNG	20th "	22nd "	BATAVIA
TJIPANAS	JAVA, MANILA	26th "	28th "	SWATOW & SAIGON
TJISALAK	JAVA, MACASSAR	27th "	29th "	AMOI & N. CHINA
TJILEBOET	N. O. & AMOI	27th "	29th "	BATAVIA
TJISAROE	BATAVIA	1st Mar.	4th Mar.	AMOI & SHANGHAI

Wireless Telegraphy.
The steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light and have accommodation for a limited number of saloon passengers. All steamers carry a daily qualified surgeon. Cargo taken at through rate to all ports in Netherlands India and Australia.
For Particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to the

10] JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

KONINKLYKE PAKETVAART
MAATSCHAPPY.
(ROYAL PACKET NAVIGATION CO. OF BATAVIA)

THE MOTOR VESSEL

"VAN HEUTSZ"

Due to sail to SINGAPORE, BELAWAN, DELI and PENANG, on 2nd February, at Noon.

Offers excellent Saloon accommodation.
All lower berths. Doctor carried.
English cuisine. Wireless telegraph.
1st Class Fare to Singapore—£125.

In connection with the Royal Packet Nav. Co.'s (K.P.M.) Service to a destinations in the Netherlands East Indies and Australia.

Agents:—
JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN-LIJN.
Telephone 1574. YORK BUILDING, CHATER ROAD. [12]



MAIL AND CARGO STEAMERS TO AND FROM
MARSEILLES, DUNKIRK, U.K., HAMBURG & ROTTERDAM.

From Marseilles
G. METZINGER ... 1st Feb.
SPHINX ... 15th Feb.
PORTHOS ... 29th Feb.
PAUL LECAT ... 14th Mar.

For Shanghai and Japan
G. METZINGER ... 1st Feb.
SPHINX ... 15th Feb.
PORTHOS ... 29th Feb.
PAUL LECAT ... 14th Mar.

From Dunkirk, Antwerp, London
YANG TSE (Cargo) ... 31st Jan.
YALOU (Cargo) ... 25th Feb.

For Shanghai, Japan and North China
YANG TSE (Cargo) ... 31st Jan.
YALOU (Cargo) ... 25th Feb.

For Rotterdam, Hamburg, Dunkirk
LT. ST. LOUBERT.
BIE (Cargo) ... 4th Feb.
YANG TSE (Cargo) ... 1st week Mar.

For full Particulars, apply to—
Cie. des MESSAGERIES MARITIMES,
Telephones: C. 161 and 740. 3, Queen's Building. [2]

HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, January 26th	Previous Day	On Date	On Date
	at 2 p.m.	6 a.m.	8 p.m.
Barometer...	29.98	29.97	29.94
Temperature...	67	64	68
Humidity...	79	95	84
Wind...	E	ESE	E
Direction...	4	3	4
Force...	0	0	0
Weather...	O	OD	O
Rain...	0.59	0.00	0.00
Highest open-air Temperature, 26th: 68			
Lowest open-air Temperature, 26th: 64			
B=Blue sky; O=Cloudy; D=Drizzle; F=Fog; L=Lightning; M=Mist; O=Overcast; P=Passing showers; Q=Squalls; R=Rain; T=Thunder.			

ON SALE.
HONG KONG HANSARD REPORTS OF THE MEETING OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL for the Session 1926.
Revised by Members.
PRICE 6s.
HONG KONG DAILY PRESS OFFICE.

FOR HEALTH—
FOR PLEASURE—
EAT AND ENJOY—
NATURE'S SWEETMEAT

SUN-MAID RAISINS
The Seedless Raisins in the Red Package.

They are "branded" goods with a world-wide and jealously-guarded reputation.
Packed under the most hygienic conditions and being seedless, everyone, even children with a delicate appetite, can eat and enjoy them.

Iron disguised in a most appetising form; Nature's safest and most joyous sweetmeat.

Whether served at table or used for cooking, they are equally welcome at all times.

Look for the Maid of the Sun on the Red package.

At all high-class Stores and Compradores.

[A.P.S.]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

AMOI, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"ANKING"	On 29th Jan.	7 a.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & DALNY	"LUCHOW"	On 29th Jan.	8 a.m.
HONGKONG, PAKHOI & SINGAPORE	"NANNING"	On 29th Jan.	10 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KALGAN"	On 29th Jan.	10 a.m.
AMOI, SHANGHAI & SINGAPORE	"SINKIANG"	On 30th Jan.	5 p.m.
BANGKOK	"KIONGCHOW"	On 31st Jan.	5 p.m.
SHANGHAI	"YUNNAN"	On 1st Feb.	7 a.m.
SHANGHAI & SINGAPORE	"CHENAN"	On 2nd Feb.	7 a.m.
SHANGHAI & SINGAPORE	"SZECHUEN"	On 4th Feb.	7 a.m.
HONGKONG, PAKHOI & SINGAPORE	"TEAN"	On 4th Feb.	Noon
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & DALNY	"LIANGHONG"	On 5th Feb.	8 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KWANGHONG"	On 5th Feb.	10 a.m.
AMOI, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"ANTUNG"	On 6th Feb.	7 a.m.
AMOI, SHANGHAI & SINGAPORE	"ICHANG"	On 6th Feb.	8 p.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"NEUWANG"	On 9th Feb.	8 a.m.
SHANGHAI & SINGAPORE	"SOOCHOW"	On 11th Feb.	7 a.m.
WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	"KUEIGHOW"	On 15th Feb.	4 p.m.

SALEON PASSAGE RATES, HONG KONG TO SHANGHAI and vice versa, Have Now Been Reduced To
\$60 SINGLE and \$90 RETURN.
For Freight or Passage apply to— BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
Telephone: CENTRAL 36.
CARGO AND BAGGAGE CAN BE INSURED AT THE OFFICE OF BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

AUSTRALIAN-ORIENTAL LINE, LIMITED.

"CHANGTE" & "TAIPING"
THROUGH HONG KONG TO AUSTRALIAN PORTS
VIA MANILA AND THURSDAY ISLAND.
Through Bills of Lading issued to all Australian, New Zealand and Tasmanian Ports.
EXCELLENT & MOST UP-TO-DATE FIRST & SECOND CLASS PASSENGER ACCOMMODATION.
HONGKONG TO SYDNEY—14 DAYS.

SHIP	DATE	DEPARTURE	ARRIVAL
CHANGTE	7th February	14th February	14th February
TAIPING	9th March	16th March	16th March
CHANGTE	6th April	13th April	13th April
TAIPING	11th May	18th May	18th May

For Freight and Passage Apply to—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
Telephone: CENTRAL 36.

BOSTON, NEW YORK AND BALTIMORE

JOINT SERVICE OF THE
"BLUE FUNNEL LINE"
(OCEAN S.S. CO., LTD., AND CHINA MUTUAL S.S. CO., LTD.)
AND
AMERICAN & MANCHURIAN LINE
(ELLERMAN & BUCKNALL S.S. CO., LTD.)

Sailings from Hongkong:

S.S. "CITY OF KIMBERLEY"	Via Suez Canal	20th February
S.S. "LYCAON"	Via Suez Canal	9th March
S.S. "CITY OF ADELAIDE"	Via Suez Canal	23rd March
S.S. "HEBUS"	Via Suez Canal	8th April
S.S. "CITY OF DUNKIRK"	Via Suez Canal	20th April

Steamers proceed via Suez Canal or Panama Canal at Owners' option.
Subject to Change without Notice.
For Freight and Particulars, apply to—
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, OF THE BANK LINE, LTD., HONG KONG
HONG KONG & CANTON, JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., CANTON.

PRINCE LINE

IMPROVED SERVICE

FAST MOTOR VESSELS
TO
BOSTON
AND
NEW YORK

M.V. "JAPANESE PRINCE"	29th January
M.V. "CHINESE PRINCE"	21st February

For Freight and Full Particulars, apply to—

FURNESS (FAR EAST), LIMITED.

Telephone: Central 3165. (Incorporated in Great Britain)
Telegrams: Furnprace. King's Building. [18]

WITHOUT PURE BLOOD HEALTH IS IMPOSSIBLE.

VETARZO BLOOD MEDICINE
Never before was there anything like it, nor are its marvelous properties likely ever to be equaled in diseases arising from impure blood. It searches out and expels from the vital current every lurking trace of poison—cures cures, cures blood and skin diseases, scrofulous and glandular swellings, bad legs, abscesses, ulcers, eczema, gout, rheumatism, gonorrhea, etc. It improves the general health and quickly cures long-standing bronchitis, asthma and hacking, straining, spasmodic cough, too often the precursor of consumption.

LIVE WITHOUT HEALTH IS LIVING DEATH.
VETARZO BRAIN AND NERVE FOOD.
For Nervous Breakdown and "Brain Weakness."

VETARZO REGULATORS. Safe and Reliable.
English Price 3s (other remedies). The VETARZO REMEDIES CO., General Office, 11, W. London, E.C.4. Unprincipled Dealers may try to sell you something else for extra profit—do not accept it. Insist on getting VETARZO. The genuine has words "VETARZO REMEDIES" in Government Stamp. Sold by LEADING CASH CHEMISTS.

Shipping News Arrivals and Departures, etc.

ARRIVALS.

January 25th.
Bourbon, French str., 907 tons.
Capt. M. Bianchi, from Saigon, arrived on January 21st, with rice and general cargo, lying at buoy No. 418—Hook Guan Hong.
Kinkata Maru, Japanese str., 1,431 tons, Capt. Y. Ishihama, from Kantsu, which port she left on January 19th, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. 351—Y.K.K.
Norwegian, Norwegian str., 1,779 tons, Capt. Robert Jensen, from Singapore, which port she left on January 17th, with firewood and general cargo, lying at buoy No. 317—Foe Nam S.S. Co.
Fulmar, Dutch str., 707 tons, Capt. E. D. de Munck, from Miri, which port she left on January 15th, with kerosene, lying at North Point—A.P.C.

January 26th.
Chipsing, British str., 1,189 tons, Capt. D. G. Burleigh, from Tongku and Weihaiwei. The latter port she left on January 20th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 333—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
City of Madras, British str., 3,045 tons, Capt. H. B. Provan, from Dunkirk and Singapore. The latter port she left on January 19th, with a general cargo, lying at Holt's Wharf—Bank Line.
Daigun Maru, Japanese str., 1,318 tons, Capt. J. Yoneta, from Bangkok, which port she left on January 14th, with rice and meal, lying at buoy No. 430—Y. Sato & Co.
Dorvik, Norwegian str., 1,777 tons, Capt. Gustav Svane, from Bangkok, which port she left on January 16th, with rice and general cargo, lying at buoy No. 130—Kin Cheong Lee.
Deli, British str., 4,733 tons, Capt. R. S. Ward, from Kobe, which port she left on January 18th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co.
Gleniffer, British str., 6,021 tons, Capt. Martin, from Shanghai, which port she left on January 23rd, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A5—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
Huan, French str., 630 tons, Capt. L. Chuchot, from Port Bayard, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A29—M.M.

Konigsberg, German str., 3,978 tons, Capt. A. Rieckels, from Shanghai, which port she left on January 22nd, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A1—Melchers & Co.
Matsumoto Maru, Japanese str., 4,334 tons, Capt. A. Yamashita, from Singapore, which port she left on January 20th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—N.Y.K.
Orin, Norwegian str., 1,161 tons, Capt. E. Kroger, from Bangkok, which port she left on January 18th, with a cargo of rice, lying at buoy No. C16—Karsten, Larsen & Co.
Santhia, British str., 3,869 tons, Capt. D. Cruz, from Moji, which port she left on January 22nd, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co.
Seattle Maru, Japanese str., 3,422 tons, Capt. G. Fujita, from Moji, which port she left on January 21st, with 935 tons of general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—O.S.K.

Tunkin, French str., 507 tons, Capt. F. L. Morvan, from Haiphong, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A27—M.M.
(Continued on next Column.)

THE "MEONIA" AT SINGAPORE.

A LUXURIOUSLY-APPOINTED VESSEL.

A new motor-vessel for the East Asiatic Company's Europe-Malaya-Siam service, the Meonia, arrived at Singapore last week. The vessel was built at the Nakskov yard, Denmark, to Lloyd's highest class and has displacement of 11,000 tons and a cargo capacity of 7,500 tons deadweight. The following are the main particulars:—Length 110 ft., breadth 34 ft., 3 ins.; depth to shelter-deck, 38 ft.; electrically-driven deck machinery for the five hatchways; Burmeister and Wain single-stroke four-cylinder super-charged Diesel engines of 3,000 h.p.; speed 14 knots fully loaded; oil-fuel bunker capacity, 1,150 tons.

The main feature of the vessel is the luxurious accommodation for passengers in six cabins, having windows in place of the usual port-holes. The furniture of these is well-appointed and the cabins contain beds in place of bunks, a sofa-bed, armchair and writing-table. Loading from these is a well-appointed bathroom and lavatory. The dining-room is panelled in light birch and provides seating for the thirty-eight passengers. The smoking-room is similarly panelled and well appointed.

A new system of ventilation is used throughout the ship. This is the Pankah Louvre system, whereby the direction of the current of air is controlled by a hand-and-socket movement.

The new vessel makes the journey from here to London in about thirty days, and an ordinary cabin passage to London costs about £70. Under the command of Capt. A. Topp, who has had thirty-two years' sea experience, the vessel is a remarkable example of the latest developments in motor-ship building and a credit to both the builders and owners.

PASSENGERS.

Arrivals.

Per s.s. Deli, on January 26th:—Mr. C. L. Mehra, Mr. H. Bruyere, Madame Bruyere, Mr. P. D. Tata, Mr. E. Higham, Mr. J. Vanham, Mr. B. M. Taylor, Mr. G. F. Mitchell, Mr. G. Lam, Mr. A. Kopp, Miss J. Culham, Mr. Yates.

CLEARANCES.

January 26th.
Arthur, for Manila.
Deli, for Singapore.
Gleniffer, for Singapore.
Hudong, for Swatow.
Konigsberg, for Singapore.
Luan, for Shanghai.
Matsumoto Maru, for Shanghai.
Nanchang, for Swatow.
Nanning, for Canton.
San Seng, for Sandakan.
Seattle Maru, for Singapore.
Sunking, for Kwong Chow Wan.
Sun Sai Kai, for Kwong Chow Wan.
Tuk Hing, for Macao.
Tunkin, for Haiphong.
Wing Wo, for Kwong Chow Wan.

Telemachus, British str., 1,340 tons, Capt. E. Holmes, from Saigon, which port she left on January 21st, with rice and general cargo, lying at buoy No. A3—Wo Fat Shing.
Trijun Maru, Japanese str., 1,384 tons, Capt. M. Yamachi, from Dairen and Weihaiwei. The latter port she left on January 19th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C18—M.B.K.

THE CHINA COAST.

CHANGES IN OFFICER PERSONNEL.

The following are the latest changes in officer personnel on the China Coast:—
Captain W. L. Thomas of the Ningpo, is on reserve.
Captain J. D. Whyte, from reserve, has gone master, Ningpo.
Captain J. K. Clark, of the Ningpo, has gone master, Shengkang.
Captain A. H. Bathurst, of the Shengkang, is on reserve.
Captain W. Noon, from reserve, has gone master, Nanning.
Captain W. Palmer-Baker, of the Ningpo, is on Home leave.
Captain S. Findeson, from Home leave, has gone master, Tingtang.
Mr. E. J. A. Porter, from reserve, has gone chief officer, Tingtang.
Mr. E. L. Merritt, chief officer, Tingtang, is on Home leave.
Mr. T. Hughes, from Home leave, has gone chief officer, Foshing.
Mr. T. Malcolm, supply second engineer, Chinkiang, is on reserve.
Mr. J. Fry, supply second engineer, Chinkiang, is on reserve.
Captain J. C. Daily, from Home leave, has gone master, Fukwang.
Captain F. Le Bouteiller, of the Fukwang, has gone master, Huiwang—Shipping & Engineering.

VESSLS IN PORT.

Vessels in port yesterday at 9 a.m. were:—
British: Arunah, Chip Shing, Telamachus, Phruah, Huichu, Pheumphen, New Mathilde, Fan Shing, Nanning, Empress of Canada, Ankang, Chenan, Kailan, Yunnan, Hylprange, Haining, Luan, Proteola, Chinkiang, Sai Sang, Hin Sang, Kungchow, Nanchang, Wai Shing, Kutchow, Cape St. Jago, Kiang Su, Apoy, Chinkiang, Kinkiang, Gorgidan, Wing Hong, Samatra, Tukin.
Norwegian: Orin, Dorvik, Norriken, Gorm, Gran, Kullon, Eiger, Kronriken, Mondeg.
Japanese: Yekun Maru, Nitakata Maru, Deli Maru, Hozan Maru, Takemaru Maru, Ryugei Maru, Tokujo Maru, Nisei Maru.
Chinese: Wong Shik Kung, Lee On, Tak Hong, Chien Lee, Moa Lee, Yuen Lee, Phauang, Wing Wo, Hong On, Heng Cheong, Huiwang, Confucius, Hui Fung, Sun, Poo Tye, Lee Cheong, Gen. H. Hunt, Gen. H. Knox, Man Sun, Sun Sai Kai.
Dutch: Fulmar, Hunkow, Jan, Otto, Hong Kong.
French: Song Bu, Bourbon.
German: Konigsberg.
Portuguese: Kong On, King On.

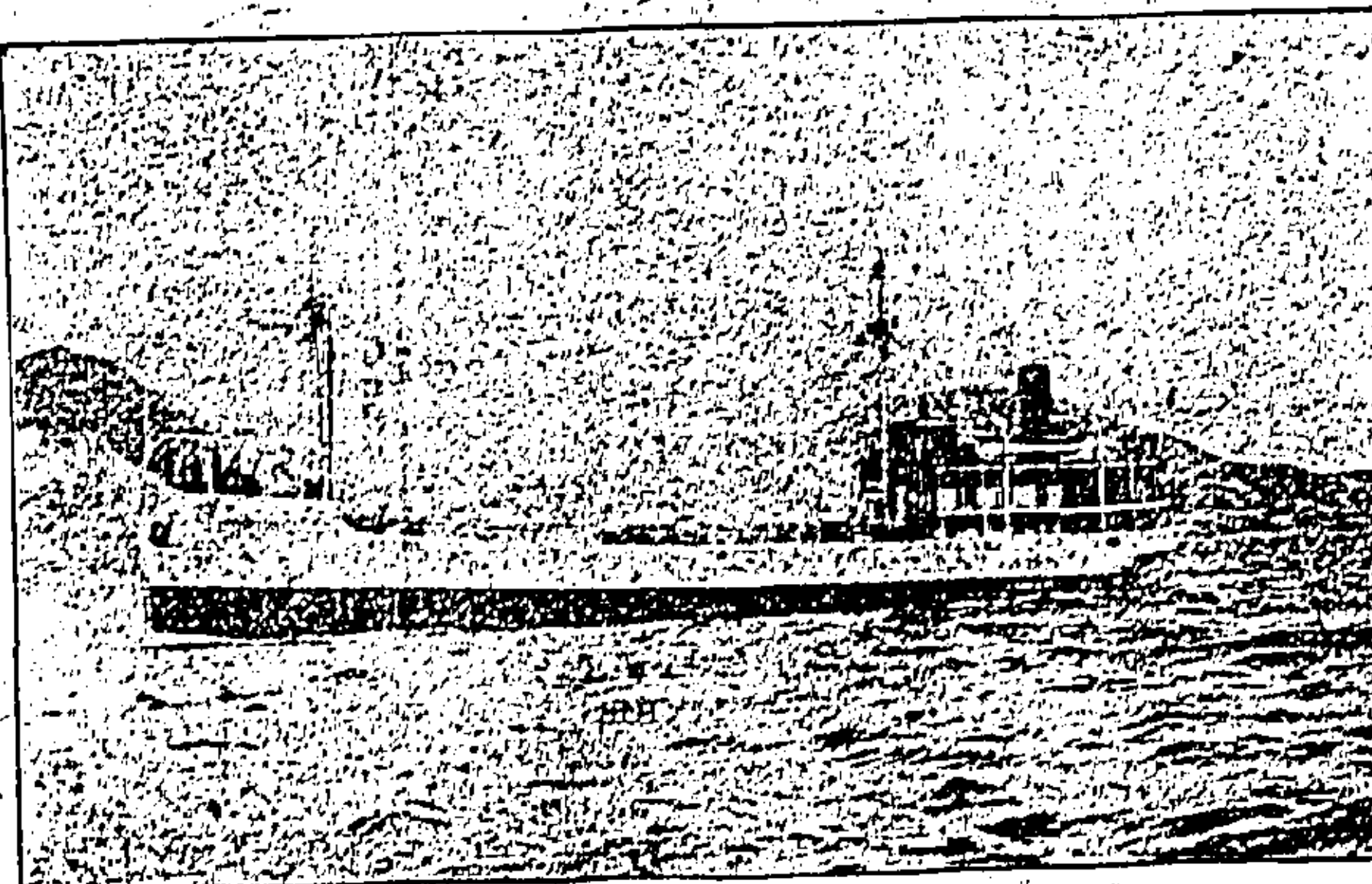
WARSHIPS IN PORT.

Warships and auxiliaries in port yesterday were:—
North Walk Basin. Ambrose, Kharki, South Wall Basin, Cicula, Gannet, Petera, S/Ms. L. L. 19, East Wall Basin, Titania, S/Ms. L. L. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

THE HONG KONG & WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS: "MANIFESTO," HONG KONG.
CODES USED: AL, A.B.C. Fifth Edition; Engineering: First and Second Editions; Western Union and Western, Benson's, Marconi.

Dock Owners, Ship Builders, Marine and Land Engineers, Boiler Makers, Iron and Brass Founders, Forge Masters, Electricians.



TWIN SCREW MOTOR VESSEL "PALAWAN."

Built and Motors installed by THE HONG KONG & WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD. to the order of Mr. M. J. OSSORIO, Manila, for service in the Philippines.

Please address enquiries to the Chief Manager,
R. M. DYER, B.Sc., M.I.N.A., KOWLOON DOCK, HONG KONG.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATIONS

To	STEAMSHIP	DATE
TSINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"FOOSHING" "KWONGSANG" "CHAKSANG" "KWAISANG"	Sun., 30th Jan., at 7 a.m. Wed., 1st Feb., at 7 a.m. Sun., 5th Feb., at 7 a.m. Wed., 8th Feb., at 7 a.m.
TIENTSIN	"CHIPSING"	Mon., 30th Jan., at 5 p.m.
OSAKA via AMOI, SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	"LAISANG"	Tues., 31st Jan., at 7 a.m.
OSAKA via AMOI, MOJI & KOBE	"FOOKSANG"	Mon., 13th Feb., at 7 a.m.
CANTON	"CHAKSANG"	Satur., 25th Jan., at 10 a.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	"NAMSANG" "KUTSANG" "KUNSAANG"	Thurs., 2nd Feb., at 3 p.m. Satur., 4th Feb., at 3 p.m. Sun., 12th Feb., at 3 p.m.
SANDAKAN	"HINSANG" "MAUSANG"	Satur., 24th Jan., at 3 p.m. Wed., 8th Feb., at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to—

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.
GENERAL MANAGERS.
Telephone: CENTRAL No. 215. [8]

GLEN LINE.

FARE: HONG KONG TO LONDON £22.

To LONDON, ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG via STRAITS & COLOMBO.

Steamship "GLENIFFER"	... ..	26th January
Motor Vessel "GLENAMORY"	... ..	2nd March
Motor Vessel "GLENLUCE"	... ..	4th April
Motor Vessel "GLENGARRY"	... ..	2nd May

To SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA & VLADIVOSTOCK.

Steamship "GLENANDA"	... ..	1st February
Motor Vessel "GLENAPP"	... ..	7th February
Motor Vessel "GLENLUCE"	... ..	24th February
Steamship "GLENMORRIS"	... ..	5th March
Motor Vessel "GLENMORRIS"	... ..	16th March

For Freight, Passage and further Particulars, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.
AGENTS: THE GLEN LINE, LTD.



FAR EASTERN PASSENGER & FREIGHT SERVICE.

FARE FROM HONG KONG TO GENOA:

Cabin class	... ..	£73.
Intermediate class	... ..	£48.

THROUGH BOOKINGS TO LONDON: FARE FROM HONG KONG TO LONDON:
Cabin class £80.

NEXT HOMEWARD SAILINGS:

Pass. S.S. "SAARBUECKEN"	... ..	departure 11th February
Freight S.S. "GOELLENZ"	... ..	departure 20th February
Pass. S.S. "GOELLENZ"	... ..	departure 10th March
Freight S.S. "MOSEL"	... ..	departure 14th March

Passenger steamers sailing via Manila and Ports to Genoa, Amsterdam, Rotterdam, Hamburg and Bremen.
Freight steamers sailing via Singapore and Ports to Marseilles, Rotterdam, Hamburg and Bremen.

NEXT OUTWARD SAILINGS:

Freight S.S. "Angsburg"	... ..	due here 4th February
Pass. S.S. "GOELLENZ"	... ..	due here 14th February
Freight S.S. "Oder"	... ..	due here 29th February
Pass. M.V. "FULDA"	... ..	due here 12th March

Passenger steamers sailing via Shanghai to North China Ports.
Freight steamers sailing via Shanghai to Japan and North China Ports.

MELCHERS & CO.,

AGENTS, HONG KONG.

Telephone C. 4557. 5, Charter Road. Queen's Building.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO., LIMITED.

HONG KONG & SOUTH CHINA COAST PORT SERVICE.

REGULAR SERVICE of Fast, High Class Coast Steamers. Sailings subject to alteration without notice.

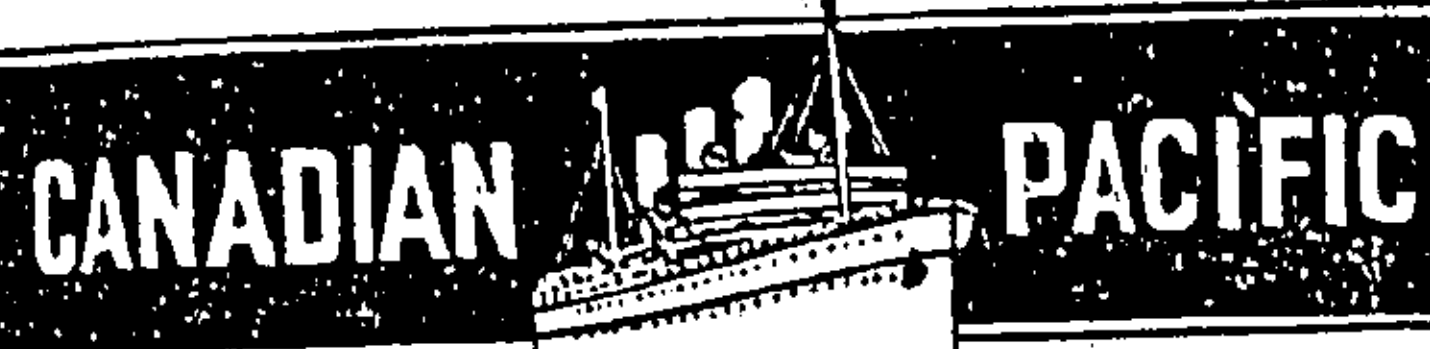
FOR

SWATOW, AMOI & FOOCHOW AND RETURN

	(Occupying 8 to 9 Days)
RAININGI	Friday, the 27th January, at 2 p.m.
HANCHING	Tuesday, the 31st January, at 1 p.m.
HAHONG	Friday, the 3rd February, at 1 p.m.

Arrivals and Departures from the Company's Wharf (near Blaken Point). Round Trip Tickets will be issued from Hong Kong to Foochow (Pagoda Anchorage) or vice versa and Return by the same Steamer at the Reduced Rate of \$30.00 including Meals while the Steamer is in Port.
For Freight and Passage apply to—

DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO.,
General Managers.



A DELIGHTFUL CRUISE DE LUXE

by the

S.S. "Empress of Australia"

21,850 Tons Gross, Length 615 Feet

LEAVING HONG KONG, FEBRUARY 13th, 1928.

via Shanghai, Chinwangtao (for Peking), Beppo, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu, Hilo, San Francisco, Balboa, Panama, through the Panama Canal to Cristobal, Colon, Havana.

Arriving NEW YORK, April 12th, 1928.

Two Days available for Sight-seeing in NEW YORK

Leave NEW YORK, April 14th,

Arriving SOUTHAMPTON, April 22nd, 1928.

Shore Excursions and Sight-seeing Tours at all Ports.

FOR PARTICULARS, APPLY TO:-

CANADIAN PACIFIC.

Tel. Central 752.

Tel. Address: "CACANPAC."

THROUGH BOOKING TO EUROPE AT REDUCED RATES
2120, 2112, 2110, 2102, 2093; via SAN FRANCISCO,
GUADALUPE, via JAPAN and SEATTLE.

SAN FRANCISCO via Shanghai, Japan Ports & Honolulu.

SIBERIA MARU (Calli Los Angeles) Tuesday, 6th Mar.

TAIYO MARU Tuesday, 20th Mar.

LONDON via Singapore, Suez, Marseilles & Ports.

HARUNA MARU Saturday, 28th Jan.

KAMO MARU Saturday, 11th Feb.

KATORI MARU Saturday, 25th Feb.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila & Ports.

MISHIMA MARU Wednesday, 22nd Feb.

TANGO MARU Wednesday, 21st Mar.

ROMBAY via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.

MALACCA MARU Friday, 27th Jan.

TAMBA MARU Saturday, 11th Feb.

SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu,

Los Angeles, Mexico and Panama.

GINYO MARU Monday, 6th Feb.

SOUTH AMERICA (East Coast) via Singapore, Cape

Town & Ports.

KAWACHI MARU Wednesday, 29th Feb.

NEW YORK and/or BOSTON via PANAMA.

TATSUNO MARU Friday, 10th Feb.

LIVERPOOL via Singapore, Colombo, Port Said & Ports.

DELAGOA MARU Tuesday, 7th Feb.

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.

BANGGON MARU Tuesday, 31st Jan.

NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

AKI MARU Friday, 17th Feb.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

MATSUOTO MARU Friday, 27th Jan.

SADO MARU (Kobe direct) Sunday, 29th Jan.

YOKUSHIMA MARU (Moj direct) Friday, 3rd Feb.

KASHIMA MARU Monday, 6th Feb.

* Cargo only.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Telephone: Central No. 292 (Private exchange to all Dept.).

THE EAST ASIATIC CO., LTD.
COPENHAGEN.

The M.S. "JAVA"

will be loading for PORT SAID, MARSEILLES, HAVRE, ROTTERDAM, AMSTERDAM, HAMBURG, COPENHAGEN and other SCANDINAVIAN & BALTIC PORTS On or about 29th February.

Further Sailings	Expected here on or about	Will leave homeward-bound on or about
M.S. "Java"	30th January	29th February
M.S. "Australien"	14th February	25th March
M.S. "Asia"	21st February	1st April
M.S. "Africa"	21st March	30th April
M.S. "Malaya"	15th April	27th May
M.S. "Danmark"	25th May	30th June

Optional Bills of Lading issued to United Kingdom Ports.

For further particulars, please apply to:-

JOHN MANNERS & CO., LTD.

142

Agents.

Shipping News

Daily Statement, Waterfront News, etc.

YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT RETURNS.

MODERATE CARGOES ONLY FOR HONG KONG.

LOW THROUGH FREIGHTS.

Moderate cargoes for Hong Kong were shown in yesterday's freight returns, and through freights were very low. Eleven out of thirteen arrivals brought cargo for this port, and five carried through cargo.

For Hong Kong there was a total of 16,439 tons, of which two British vessels (out of four) brought 2,555 tons, one vessel contributing 2,035 tons of this. Vessels under other flags brought for discharge here 13,884 tons, and all but one vessel registered a four-figure entry. A French vessel brought 1,930 tons of general cargo, two Norwegian steamers, over 2,000 tons of rice each, another Norwegian 1,000 tons of general cargo, one Japanese steamer 1,423 tons of general, and another vessel under the same flag 2,735 tons of coal, while a Chinese steamer arrived with 1,000 tons of rice.

Through freights totalled 2,203 tons, with three British vessels carrying 4,036 tons, and of this figure one British ship, the *Antenor* had 4,426 tons on board. The remaining 4,297 tons were carried in two vessels under other flags, a German steamer having no fewer than 3,837 tons of general freight on board.

Arrivals and Departures.

Arrivals and departures for the 24 hours ended at 6 a.m. yesterday were:-

	Arr.	Dep.
British	4	6
Japanese	2	2
Norwegian	3	0
Chinese	1	1
Dutch	1	2
French	1	0
German	1	0
American	0	2
Total	13	13

Total number of vessels in port, 57.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

American Mail Line.

President Madison, Jan. 30th.

Australian-Oriental Line.

Change, Feb. 7th.

Taiping, Mar. 9th.

Bank Line.

City of Benares, Feb. 12th.

City of Adelaide, Feb. 14th.

City of Dunkirk, Mar. 17th.

City of Bombay, April 4th.

City of Eastbourne, April 11th.

City of Cardiff, April 15th.

Ben Line.

Beledi, to-morrow.

British-India and Apecar Line.

Tahana, to-day.

Tahana, Feb. 10th.

Tahana, Feb. 10th.

Canadian Pacific Line.

Empress of Australia, Feb. 10th.

Dollar Steamship Line.

President Wilson, to-morrow.

President Cleveland, Jan. 30th.

Blue Funnel Line.

Vancouver, Feb. 2nd.

Philippines, Feb. 6th.

Tuluthius, Feb. 7th.

Aeneas, Feb. 13th.

Autolycus, Feb. 16th.

Achilles, Feb. 20th.

Polyphemus, Feb. 23th.

Bellerophon, Mar. 2nd.

Culebra, Mar. 4th.

Sarpedon, Mar. 5th.

Rheneas, Mar. 10th.

Tirrenia, Mar. 18th.

Mendocino, Mar. 18th.

Baryclochus, Mar. 22nd.

Automedon, Apr. 1st.

Patroclus, Apr. 5th.

Pentestilus, Apr. 10th.

Phrynis, Apr. 11th.

Agamemnon, Apr. 15th.

Lamedon, Apr. 24th.

East Asiatic Co., Copenhagen.

Java, Jan. 30th.

Australia, Feb. 14th.

Africa, Mar. 21st.

Malaga, Apr. 15th.

Denmark, May 25th.

Eastern and Australian Lines.

Tanda, Feb. 6th.

St. Albans, Mar. 5th.

Olen Line.

Glenapp, Feb. 7th.

Glenapp, Feb. 24th.

Glenapp, March 5th.

Glenapp, March 16th.

Hamburg-Amerika Linie and

Hugo Stinnes Linie.

Saarland, Feb. 5th.

Haveland, Feb. 10th.

Emil Kirdorf, Feb. 23th.

Havensand, March 7th.

Schnee, Mar. 12th.

Carl Legien, March 20th.

Java-China-Japan Line.

Tijudat, Jan. 30th.

Tijudat, Feb. 2nd.

Tijudat, Feb. 6th.

Tijudat, Feb. 12th.

Tijudat, Feb. 13th.

Tijudat, Feb. 16th.

Tijudat, Feb. 20th.

Messageries Maritimes.

Tangier, Jan. 31st.

General Metinger, Feb. 1st.

Sphinx, Feb. 15th.

Yalou, Feb. 25th.

Portos, Feb. 29th.

Paul Lead, Mar. 14th.

Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

Haruna Maru, to-morrow.

Tatsuno Maru, Feb. 1st.

Delagoa Maru, Feb. 6th.

Tuturi Maru, Feb. 8th.

Kamo Maru, Feb. 10th.

Mishima Maru, Feb. 12th.

Calcutta Maru, Feb. 14th.

Kawachi Maru, Feb. 25th.

Norddeutscher Lloyd, Bremen.

Ansbach, Feb. 4th.

Goldens, Feb. 14th.

Unter, Feb. 20th.

Fulda, March 12th.

Peninsular and Oriental.

Kidderepo, Feb. 2nd.

Kilwa, Feb. 3rd.

Macedonia, Feb. 3rd.

Matus, Feb. 3rd.

Karamela, Feb. 10th.

Kalyon, Feb. 17th.

Kashmir, Feb. 17th.

Mantua, Mar. 1st.

Prince Line.

Japanese Prince, Jan. 29th.

Chinese Prince, Feb. 21st.

Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.

Ceylon, Feb. 5th.

Sumatra, Mar. 8th.

DAILY WATERFRONT NEWS.

THE RIVER SERVICES.

[BY LONGSHOREMAN.]

With the Chinese New Year Holidays now over, a full resumption of the river services is being made. The Hong Kong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company, Ltd., have been the only Company running steamers to and from Canton during the holiday period, and then only day boats. Last night the *Lungshan* went up, and will return again this evening. The usual day and night service will be maintained by the *Taiwan*, *Lungshan* and *Kinsan*. The *Fat-shan* is still in dock. Despite the holiday, there has been a fair number of passengers to and from Canton and there has been a daily average of 700 passengers.

The West River steamers, and other steamers employed on the Canton-Hong Kong run have laid up during the holiday, but they commenced resumption during Wednesday and yesterday, and all services will be in full swing again by to-day.

Asiatic Deck Passengers.

The total number of Asiatic deck passengers entered the Colony during the twenty-four hours ended at 6 a.m. yesterday was 143, one vessel carrying 132.

Coal For Stranded Vessel.

Sailing last evening for Wuchow, the s.s. *Kong Ning* took up a quantity of coal for the s.s. *Tai Hing*, which is still aground below Dosing and is running short of fuel.

Engine Trouble.

Shortly after leaving the wharf on Wednesday evening for Canton, the *Fuel On* experienced engine trouble, and assistance had to be procured from tugs in order to effect reberthing.

Out Of Dock.

The s.s. *Confucius* came out of Kowloon dock yesterday morning, following a refit, and berthed at a harbour buoy.

New East Asiatic Steamer.

The *Mosin*, a new vessel for the East Asiatic Company, arrived Singapore last week from Copenhagen on her maiden voyage. She is registered in Denmark and has a gross tonnage of 5,213 tons and net 3,288 tons. The motor-ship has a bunker capacity of 1,051 tons of oil fuel and steams at a speed of fourteen knots.

New Motorships.

In addition to the twin-screw motorship *Sibajak*, of about 14,000 tons, which vessel is just completed, telegraphic advice has just been received that the Rotterdam Lloyd Royal Dutch Mail Line has ordered two further mail vessels of 15,000 gross tons each. Both ships will measure 374 feet in length, 70 feet breadth, and 41 feet depth, and will have an average speed of 19 knots. They are expected to be completed by January and end of 1930 respectively and will bear the names *Batavia* and *Dennu*. The *Batavia* will be built on the well-known Eijssen yard at Rotterdam and the *Dennu* on the Schelde at Flushing, where many ships of the Rotterdam Lloyd have been built. Both ships will be equipped with Sulzer-Schelde motors.

BANK LINE LTD.

AGENTS FOR

ELLERMAN & BUCKNALL S.S. CO., LTD.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION WITHOUT NOTICE.

UNITED KINGDOM & CONTINENT

"CITY OF PEKIN" ... Havre, London, Rotterdam & Hamburg ... 14th February

"CITY OF BENARES" ... London, Rotterdam & Hamburg ... 20th

"CITY OF MADRAS" ... Havre, London, Rotterdam & Hamburg ... 25th March

AUSTRALIA ... SINGAPORE/AUSTRALIA ... AUSTRAL-INDIES LINE

"CITY OF PALERMO" ... Leaves Singapore ... 7th February

For FREMANTLE, ADELAIDE, MELBOURNE & SYDNEY.

Through FREIGHT and PASSENGER bookings from HONG KONG in conjunction with "ELLERMAN"

Line or other services.

BOSTON, NEW YORK & BALTIMORE ... AMERICAN AND MANCHURIAN LINE

"CITY OF KIMBERLEY" ... via Suez Canal ... 29th February

"CITY OF ADELAIDE" ... via Suez Canal ... 23rd March

"CITY OF DUNKIRK" ... via Suez Canal ... 20th April

ALSO AGENTS FOR

ANDREW WEIR & CO.

SERVICES TO

BOSTON & NEW YORK ... AMERICAN & ORIENTAL LINE

"MYRTLEBANK" ... 8th February

MAURITIUS & SOUTH AFRICA ... ORIENTAL AFRICAN LINE

"TINHOW" ... 20th April

Loading for Mauritius, Delagoa Bay, Durban, East London, Algoa Bay (Port Elizabeth), Moesl Bay and Capetown.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Beira, Quilimane, Ibo, Port Amalia, Mozambique, Chinde, Inhambane, Lazibara, Mombassa, Kilindini, Port Kolloth, Luderitz Bay, Walvis Bay and Madagascar.

For Freight or Passage on any of the above lines apply:-

Telephone: Central 4791.

THE BANK LINE, LTD.

221

P. & O., British India Apcar and Eastern & Australian Lines

(COMPANIES INCORPORATED IN ENGLAND).
MAIL AND PASSENGER STEAMERS
TAKING CARGO FOR

STRAITS, JAVA, BERM, CEYLON, INDIA, PERSIAN GULF, WEST INDIES, MAURITIUS, EAST & SOUTH AFRICA, AUSTRALASIA, INCLUDING NEW ZEALAND & QUEENSLAND PORTS, RED SEA, EGYPT, CONSTANTINOPLE, GREECE, LEVANTINE PORTS, EUROPE, ETC.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL FORTNIGHTLY
DIRECT ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS.
(UNDER CONTRACT WITH H.M. GOVERNMENT.)

Steamship	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
MALWA	10,856	4th Feb.	Marseilles and London.
KHYBER	9,114	13th Feb.	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hall.
MAJUR	6,553	25th Feb.	Marseilles and London.
KIDDERPORE	5,334	29th Feb.	Suez and Bombay.
MACEDONIA	11,130	3rd Mar.	Marseilles and London.
ARHIVA	9,130	10th Mar.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
KASHMIR	9,965	17th Mar.	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hall.
KARMALA	9,124	24th Mar.	Marseilles and London.
MANTUA	10,946	31st Mar.	do.
KALYAN	9,114	7th April	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
MONGOLIA	15,504	14th April	Marseilles and London.
NAGPORE	5,233	21st April	do.
MOREA	10,953	28th April	do.
KASHGAR	9,006	12th May	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
MALWA	10,856	20th May	Marseilles and London.
DEVANHA	9,155	26th May	do.
MACEDONIA	11,130	2nd June	do.
KHYBER	9,114	7th July	do.
MANTUA	10,946	21st July	do.
KASHMIR	9,965	4th Aug.	do.
HAJPUTANA	16,568	18th Aug.	do.
KALYAN	9,114	1st Sept.	do.
MALWA	10,856	15th Sept.	do.

* Passengers to Singapore only. Limited accommodation available for 2nd class passengers from Hong Kong to London.

Frequent connections from Port Said for Passengers and Cargo to Constantinople, Piraeus, Smyrna, and other Levant Ports by steamers of the Khedivial Mail Steamship Co.

BRITISH IND

POST OFFICE NOTICE.

INWARD MAILS.

FROM	PER	DATE
SHANGHAI ...	Szechuen ...	27th Jan.
JAPAN & SHANGHAI ...	Haruna Maru ...	28th Jan.
EUROPE via NEAPOLIS (letters only), London 29th Dec., 1927 ...	Lauyang ...	28th Jan.
EUROPE via NEAPOLIS (papers only), London 29th Dec., 1927 ...	Talanda ...	28th Jan.
U.S.A., HONOLULU, JAPAN & SHANGHAI ...	Pres. Wilson ...	28th Jan.
U.S.A., HONOLULU, JAPAN & SHANGHAI ...	Pres. Madison ...	30th Jan.
MANILA ...	Pres. Cleveland ...	30th Jan.
JAPAN & SHANGHAI ...	Malwa ...	3rd Feb.

OUTWARD MAILS.

FOR	PER	DATE
Manila, Sandakan, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island, 11th February ...	Arafur ...	Friday, 27th.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow ...	Hai Hong ...	1.00 p.m.
Haiphong ...	Yunnan ...	1.30 p.m.
Manila ...	Yunnan ...	1.30 p.m.
Fort Bayard, Hainan, Pakhoi & Haiphong ...	Yunnan ...	5.00 p.m.
*Straits and Calcutta ...	Sandwich ...	Par. 27th, 5.00 p.m.
		Let. 28th, 9.00 a.m.
Bangkok ...	Ryusei Maru ...	Saturday, 28th.
		8.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 26th Feb. ...	Haruna Maru ...	Reg. 10.00 a.m.
		G.P.O. Letters 1.00 p.m.
Sandakan ...	Hainan ...	Reg. 1.30 p.m.
Manila ...	Pres. Wilson ...	5.00 p.m.
Amoy ...	Anking ...	5.00 p.m.
Haiphong, Pakhoi and Haiphong ...	Nanning ...	5.00 p.m.
Bangkok via Swatow ...	Adrian ...	Sunday, 29th.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa ...	Houan Maru ...	8.30 a.m.
		9.00 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada, U.S. America & Europe via San Francisco—due San Francisco, 23rd Feb., & Europe via Siberia ...	Pres. Cleveland ...	Monday, 30th.
		Parcels 3.00 p.m.
		Reg. 4.15 p.m.
		Letters 5.00 p.m.
Amoy ...	Sinching ...	2.30 p.m.
Amoy ...	Lai Sang ...	5.00 p.m.
Haiphong, Pakhoi and Haiphong ...	Taitoo Maru ...	Tuesday, 31st.
Haiphong ...	Kiangchow ...	8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow ...	Hai Hong ...	10.30 a.m.
		Noon
Saigon, Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 2nd March ...	Angers ...	Reg. 1.00 p.m.
		Letters 1.00 p.m.
		G.P.O. Reg. 1.45 p.m.
		Letters 2.30 p.m.
Manila ...	Pres. Madison ...	4.30 p.m.
Shanghai & EUROPE via Siberia ...	Yunnan ...	5.00 p.m.
		5.00 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow ...	Hai Hong ...	Friday, 3rd.
		Noon
		Kowloon P.O. Parcels 4.30 p.m.
		Reg. 4th, 8.00 a.m.
		Letters 10.00 a.m.
		G.P.O. Par. 3rd, 5.00 p.m.
		Reg. 4th, 9.45 a.m.
		Letters 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America & Europe via Vancouver, B.C.—due Vancouver, B.C., 4th March, & Europe via Siberia ...	Emp. of Canada ...	Friday, 14th.
		Parcels 3.00 p.m.
		Reg. 4.15 p.m.
		Letters 5.00 p.m.

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

HONG KONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Authorized Capital \$50,000,000
 Issued and Fully Paid-up \$20,000,000
 Reserve Funds:—
 Sterling \$8,000,000
 Silver \$13,500,000
 Reserve Liability of Proprietors \$20,000,000

Head Office: HONG KONG.

Court of Directors:
 Hon. Mr. D. G. M. BERNARD,
 Chairman.
 A. H. COMPTON, Esq.,
 Deputy Chairman.
 W. H. BELL, Esq., C. G. S. Macle, Esq.,
 N. S. Brown, Esq., W. L. Paterson, Esq.,
 A. Macgowan, Esq., T. G. Wall, Esq.,
 H. P. White, Esq.,
 Chief Manager:
 Hon. Mr. A. C. HINES.

BRANCHES:
 Amoy, Hong Kong, Peking, Shanghai, Yokohama
 Bangkok, Canton, Hankow, Harbin, Kobe, London, Lyons, Manilla, Moscow, New York, Rangoon, San Francisco, Singapore, Swatow, Tientsin, Yokohama

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened in LOCAL CURRENCY and Fixed Deposits received for one year or shorter periods in LOCAL CURRENCY and Sterling on terms which will be quoted on application.
 Hong Kong, 13th Sept., 1927. [28]

HONG KONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application. For the HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, A. C. HINES, Chief Manager.
 Hong Kong, 13th Sept., 1927. [29]

EQUITABLE EASTERN BANKING CORPORATION.

CAPITAL, SURPLUS AND UNDIVIDED PROFITS
 U.S. \$1,500,000.00

HEAD OFFICE:
 37, WALL STREET,
 NEW YORK.

An American Bank offering complete Foreign Banking Service in the principal markets of the world. Interest Allowed on all Deposits. Rates on Application.

A Subsidiary of
 THE EQUITABLE TRUST COMPANY OF NEW YORK.

Total Resources in excess of U.S. \$37,000,000.00.
 D. M. BIGGAR, Manager.

NEDERLANDSCHE HANDEL-MAATSCHAPPIJ.

(NETHERLANDS TRADING SOCIETY.)
 BANKERS
 ESTABLISHED 1824.

HONG KONG OFFICE: 11, QUEEN'S ROAD, CENTRAL.

Authorized Capital—Gulden 150,000,000.
 Paid-Up Capital—Gulden 20,000,000.
 Reserve Fund—Gulden 40,000,000.
 Head Office: AMSTERDAM.
 Branches: Batavia, Bencoolen, Birmah, Calcutta, Canton, Cebu, Hong Kong, London, Lyons, Manilla, Moscow, New York, Rangoon, San Francisco, Singapore, Swatow, Tientsin, Yokohama.

Head Office: AMSTERDAM.
 Branches: Batavia, Bencoolen, Birmah, Calcutta, Canton, Cebu, Hong Kong, London, Lyons, Manilla, Moscow, New York, Rangoon, San Francisco, Singapore, Swatow, Tientsin, Yokohama.

Head Office: AMSTERDAM.
 Branches: Batavia, Bencoolen, Birmah, Calcutta, Canton, Cebu, Hong Kong, London, Lyons, Manilla, Moscow, New York, Rangoon, San Francisco, Singapore, Swatow, Tientsin, Yokohama.

Head Office: AMSTERDAM.
 Branches: Batavia, Bencoolen, Birmah, Calcutta, Canton, Cebu, Hong Kong, London, Lyons, Manilla, Moscow, New York, Rangoon, San Francisco, Singapore, Swatow, Tientsin, Yokohama.

Head Office: AMSTERDAM.
 Branches: Batavia, Bencoolen, Birmah, Calcutta, Canton, Cebu, Hong Kong, London, Lyons, Manilla, Moscow, New York, Rangoon, San Francisco, Singapore, Swatow, Tientsin, Yokohama.

Head Office: AMSTERDAM.
 Branches: Batavia, Bencoolen, Birmah, Calcutta, Canton, Cebu, Hong Kong, London, Lyons, Manilla, Moscow, New York, Rangoon, San Francisco, Singapore, Swatow, Tientsin, Yokohama.

Head Office: AMSTERDAM.
 Branches: Batavia, Bencoolen, Birmah, Calcutta, Canton, Cebu, Hong Kong, London, Lyons, Manilla, Moscow, New York, Rangoon, San Francisco, Singapore, Swatow, Tientsin, Yokohama.

Head Office: AMSTERDAM.
 Branches: Batavia, Bencoolen, Birmah, Calcutta, Canton, Cebu, Hong Kong, London, Lyons, Manilla, Moscow, New York, Rangoon, San Francisco, Singapore, Swatow, Tientsin, Yokohama.

Head Office: AMSTERDAM.
 Branches: Batavia, Bencoolen, Birmah, Calcutta, Canton, Cebu, Hong Kong, London, Lyons, Manilla, Moscow, New York, Rangoon, San Francisco, Singapore, Swatow, Tientsin, Yokohama.

Head Office: AMSTERDAM.
 Branches: Batavia, Bencoolen, Birmah, Calcutta, Canton, Cebu, Hong Kong, London, Lyons, Manilla, Moscow, New York, Rangoon, San Francisco, Singapore, Swatow, Tientsin, Yokohama.

Head Office: AMSTERDAM.
 Branches: Batavia, Bencoolen, Birmah, Calcutta, Canton, Cebu, Hong Kong, London, Lyons, Manilla, Moscow, New York, Rangoon, San Francisco, Singapore, Swatow, Tientsin, Yokohama.

Head Office: AMSTERDAM.
 Branches: Batavia, Bencoolen, Birmah, Calcutta, Canton, Cebu, Hong Kong, London, Lyons, Manilla, Moscow, New York, Rangoon, San Francisco, Singapore, Swatow, Tientsin, Yokohama.

Head Office: AMSTERDAM.
 Branches: Batavia, Bencoolen, Birmah, Calcutta, Canton, Cebu, Hong Kong, London, Lyons, Manilla, Moscow, New York, Rangoon, San Francisco, Singapore, Swatow, Tientsin, Yokohama.

Head Office: AMSTERDAM.
 Branches: Batavia, Bencoolen, Birmah, Calcutta, Canton, Cebu, Hong Kong, London, Lyons, Manilla, Moscow, New York, Rangoon, San Francisco, Singapore, Swatow, Tientsin, Yokohama.

Head Office: AMSTERDAM.
 Branches: Batavia, Bencoolen, Birmah, Calcutta, Canton, Cebu, Hong Kong, London, Lyons, Manilla, Moscow, New York, Rangoon, San Francisco, Singapore, Swatow, Tientsin, Yokohama.

Head Office: AMSTERDAM.
 Branches: Batavia, Bencoolen, Birmah, Calcutta, Canton, Cebu, Hong Kong, London, Lyons, Manilla, Moscow, New York, Rangoon, San Francisco, Singapore, Swatow, Tientsin, Yokohama.

Head Office: AMSTERDAM.
 Branches: Batavia, Bencoolen, Birmah, Calcutta, Canton, Cebu, Hong Kong, London, Lyons, Manilla, Moscow, New York, Rangoon, San Francisco, Singapore, Swatow, Tientsin, Yokohama.

Head Office: AMSTERDAM.
 Branches: Batavia, Bencoolen, Birmah, Calcutta, Canton, Cebu, Hong Kong, London, Lyons, Manilla, Moscow, New York, Rangoon, San Francisco, Singapore, Swatow, Tientsin, Yokohama.

Head Office: AMSTERDAM.
 Branches: Batavia, Bencoolen, Birmah, Calcutta, Canton, Cebu, Hong Kong, London, Lyons, Manilla, Moscow, New York, Rangoon, San Francisco, Singapore, Swatow, Tientsin, Yokohama.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1854.
 HEAD OFFICE: LONDON.
 Paid-up Capital £1,000,000
 Reserve Fund £1,000,000
 Reserve Liability of Proprietors £1,000,000

AGENCIES AND BRANCHES:
 ALOR STAR, IPOH, KUALA LUMPUR, MALACCA, MANILA, MESSINE, NAGASAKI, PENANG, PORT SWETLAND, RAJAHMUNDRAM, SINGAPORE, SOERABAYA, TIENTSIN, YOKOHAMA.

Foreign Exchange and General Banking Business transacted. CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received for one year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.
 J. R. GEORGE, Manager.
 Hong Kong, 5th Jan., 1928. [30]

BANQUE FRANCO-CHINOISE POUR LE COMMERCE ET L'INDUSTRIE.

(Incorporated in France.)
 5, Chater Road, Victoria, Hong Kong.
 Head Office:
 74, Rue St. Lazare, Paris.

Capital, fully paid up Fr. 50,000,000
 Special Working Capital Fr. 50,000,000
 Reserves Fr. 15,304,968

BRANCHES:
 Paris, Lyons, Marseilles, Saigon, Haiphong, Hanoi, Peking, Shanghai, Tientsin.

BAKERS:
 France: Société Générale, Banque Nationale de Crédit, Banque de Paris et des Pays Bas.
 London: Midland Bank, Ltd.
 New York: American Exchange Irving Trust Co.
 San Francisco: Bank of Italy.

Every description of Banking and Exchange Business transacted. Correspondents throughout the World.
 A. ROLLIN, Manager.
 Hong Kong, 1st January, 1928.

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE:
 15, Gracechurch Street, London, E.C. 3.

Authorized Capital £3,000,000
 Subscribed Capital £1,800,000
 Paid-up Capital £1,050,000
 Reserve Fund and Rest £1,545,867

BRANCHES:
 The Bank of England and MIDLAND BANK, LTD.

BRANCHES:
 Bangkok, Kandy, Penang, Batavia, Karachi, Port Louis, Bombay, Kota Bharu, (Mauritius), Calcutta, Kala, Rangoon, Colombo, Kanton, Shanghai, Delhi, Kanton, (Peking), Hong Kong, Madras, Sourabaya, Kowloon, New York.

HONG KONG BRANCHES:
 Every description of Banking and Exchange Business transacted. Interest allowed on Current Accounts to 5 per cent. per annum on Daily Balance and on Fixed Deposits at Rates that may be ascertained on application.
 C. D. C. SANDES, Manager.
 7, Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong, 10th April, 1927. [29]

THE BANK OF CHINA.
 行銀國中
 (Special authorized by Presidential Mandate of the Republic of China on the 25th of November, 1917.)

Authorized Capital \$60,000,000.00
 Paid-up Capital 19,700,300.00
 Reserve Fund 9,844,398.62

Head Office: PEKING
 Hong Kong Branch: 4, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Branches and Sub-branches all over China and Correspondents in Europe, America, and other parts of the world.
 London Bankers: THE GUARANTY TRUST CO. OF NEW YORK, THE NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK, LTD.

New York Bankers: THE EQUITABLE EASTERN BANKING CORPORATION, THE IRVING BANK, COLUMBIA TRUST CO.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits. Terms on application.
 Every description of Banking Business transacted.
 Loans granted on Approved Securities.
 Special facilities for domestic exchange.

SHOU J. CHEN, Manager.
 Hong Kong, 29th June, 1927. [38]

Authorized Capital \$60,000,000.00
 Paid-up Capital 19,700,300.00
 Reserve Fund 9,844,398.62

Head Office: PEKING
 Hong Kong Branch: 4, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Branches and Sub-branches all over China and Correspondents in Europe, America, and other parts of the world.
 London Bankers: THE GUARANTY TRUST CO. OF NEW YORK, THE NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK, LTD.

New York Bankers: THE EQUITABLE EASTERN BANKING CORPORATION, THE IRVING BANK, COLUMBIA TRUST CO.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits. Terms on application.
 Every description of Banking Business transacted.
 Loans granted on Approved Securities.
 Special facilities for domestic exchange.

SHOU J. CHEN, Manager.
 Hong Kong, 29th June, 1927. [38]

Authorized Capital \$60,000,000.00
 Paid-up Capital 19,700,300.00
 Reserve Fund 9,844,398.62

Head Office: PEKING
 Hong Kong Branch: 4, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Branches and Sub-branches all over China and Correspondents in Europe, America, and other parts of the world.
 London Bankers: THE GUARANTY TRUST CO. OF NEW YORK, THE NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK, LTD.

New York Bankers: THE EQUITABLE EASTERN BANKING CORPORATION, THE IRVING BANK, COLUMBIA TRUST CO.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits. Terms on application.
 Every description of Banking Business transacted.
 Loans granted on Approved Securities.
 Special facilities for domestic exchange.

SHOU J. CHEN, Manager.
 Hong Kong, 29th June, 1927. [38]

Authorized Capital \$60,000,000.00
 Paid-up Capital 19,700,300.00
 Reserve Fund 9,844,398.62

Head Office: PEKING
 Hong Kong Branch: 4, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

CONSTANCY
 For half a century the Virginia Leaf used in the manufacture of THREE CASTLES Cigarettes has been of the same High Quality Standard.
 The world-wide success that the brand has attained has justified the manufacturing ideal—to provide an article that is dependable—always.

50 years ago

Three Castles CIGARETTES.

ALSO PACKED IN REGULAR 50s AND 20s

This advertisement is issued by the British-American Tobacco Co. (China) Ltd.

BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE.

Head Office:
 99, Boulevard Haussmann, Paris

Subscribed Capital, Frs. 72,000,000.00
 Paid-up Capital Frs. 68,400,000.00
 Reserve Fund Frs. 80,334,519.10

BRANCHES:
 Bangkok, Hanoi, Pondicherry, Batavia, Hong Kong, Saigon, Canton, Yunnan, Shanghai, Djibouti, Noumea, Tientsin, Port-Bayard, Papeete, Tourane, Haiphong, Peking, Yunnanfon, Hankow, Poon-Poon.

IN FRANCE: Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris, Crédit Lyonnais, Banque de Paris et des Pays-Bas, Crédit Industriel et Commercial, Société Générale.

IN LONDON: The National Provincial and Union Bank of England, Ltd., Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris, Crédit Lyonnais.

IN NEW YORK: J. P. Morgan & Co., French-American Banking Corporation, Guaranty Trust Co. of New York.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits according to arrangement.
 Every description of Banking and Exchange Business transacted.
 Safe Deposit Boxes to let.
 CH. LEM, Manager.
 Hong Kong, 26th Feb., 1927. [32]

THE BANK OF CANTON, LTD.

Head Office: Hong Kong.
 Hong Kong Currency

Authorized Capital \$11,000,000
 Paid-up Capital 8,664,200
 Reserve Fund 850,000

Branches:
 CANTON, SHANGHAI, HANKOW, SWATOW, BANGKOK, NEW YORK and SAN FRANCISCO.

London Bankers: THE LLOYDS BANK, LTD.

Correspondents
 In all Principal Cities of the World.

Foreign Exchange and Banking Business of every description transacted.

Safe Deposit Boxes (various sizes) at a Yearly Rental of from \$5 to \$40.

LOOK POONG SHAN, Chief Manager.

P. & O. BANKING CORPORATION, LIMITED.

PAID UP CAPITAL £2,594,166
 RESERVE FUND £180,000

Head Office:
 122, Leadenhall Street, London, E.C. 3.

The Corporation undertakes General Banking and Exchange Business of every description and in addition to its Branches has Agencies in all the principal towns of the World.

L. E. HOPKINS, Manager.
 Prince's Building, Chater Road, Hong Kong.

HONG KONG WEEKLY PRESS.

CONTAINING ALL THE WEEK'S LOCAL NEWS.

The Paper to send Home.

S.S. "BELGENLAND"

(27,200 tons.)
 RED STAR LINE.

LARGEST STEAMER TO CIRCUMNAVIGATE THE GLOBE.
 LEAVES HONGKONG.....FEBRUARY 13th.

For Manila, Bangkok, Batavia, Singapore, Calcutta, Colombo, Alexandria, Athens, Naples, Monaco, Gibraltar and New York.

Port-to-port passengers, with or without shore excursions, booked.

Regular transatlantic service between New York, Boston, Montreal, and principal European ports by White Star, Red Star and Atlantic Transport Lines. Through booking from the Orient.

For Particulars apply to—

THE AMERICAN EXPRESS CO., INC.

44, Des Vaux Road Central, Hong Kong.

Printed and Published by OLIVER THOMAS BRIDGEMAN, for the HONG KONG DAILY PRESS, Ltd., at 11, Des Vaux Road, Victoria, Hong Kong. London Office: 21, Bride Lane, Fleet Street, E.C. 4.

Printed and Published by OLIVER THOMAS BRIDGEMAN, for the HONG KONG DAILY PRESS, Ltd., at 11, Des Vaux Road, Victoria, Hong Kong. London Office: 21, Bride Lane, Fleet Street, E.C. 4.

Printed and Published by OLIVER THOMAS BRIDGEMAN, for the HONG KONG DAILY PRESS, Ltd., at 11, Des Vaux Road, Victoria, Hong Kong. London Office: 21, Bride Lane, Fleet Street, E.C. 4.

Printed and Published by OLIVER THOMAS BRIDGEMAN, for the HONG KONG DAILY PRESS, Ltd., at 11, Des Vaux Road, Victoria, Hong Kong. London Office: 21, Bride Lane, Fleet Street, E.C. 4.

Printed and Published by OLIVER THOMAS BRIDGEMAN, for the HONG KONG DAILY PRESS, Ltd., at 11, Des Vaux Road, Victoria, Hong Kong. London Office: 21, Bride Lane, Fleet Street, E.C. 4.

Printed and Published by OLIVER THOMAS BRIDGEMAN, for the HONG KONG DAILY PRESS, Ltd., at 11, Des Vaux Road, Victoria, Hong Kong. London Office: 21, Bride Lane, Fleet Street, E.C. 4.

Printed and Published by OLIVER THOMAS BRIDGEMAN, for the HONG KONG DAILY PRESS, Ltd., at 11, Des Vaux Road, Victoria, Hong Kong. London Office: 21, Bride Lane, Fleet Street, E.C. 4.

Printed and Published by OLIVER THOMAS BRIDGEMAN, for the HONG KONG DAILY PRESS, Ltd., at 11, Des Vaux Road, Victoria, Hong Kong. London Office: 21, Bride Lane, Fleet Street, E.C. 4.

THE BLUE FUNNEL LINE
 REGULAR AND FAST FREIGHT AND PASSENGER SERVICES

LONDON SERVICE.
 "PERSEUS" 7th Feb. Mars., L'don., B'dam. & H'burg.
 "HECTOR" 22nd Feb. Mars., L'don., W'ham. & Glasgow.
 "GLAUCOS" 6th Mar. Mars., L'don., B'dam. & H'burg.
 "AENEAS" 20th Mar. Mars., L'don., B'dam. & Glasgow.
 *Via Casablanca.

LIVERPOOL SERVICE.
 "MENTOR" 20th Feb. Genoa, Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow.
 "ACHILLES" 5th Mar. Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow.
 "POLYPHEMUS" 1st Apr. Genoa, Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow.
 "BELLEROPHON" 20th Apr. Genoa, Havre, L'pool. & Glasgow.

PACIFIC SERVICE.
 (via KORE & YOKOHAMA).
 "PROTESILAUS" 28th Jan. Victoria, Vancouver & Seattle.
 "TALTHEYBIUS" 18th Feb. Victoria, Vancouver & Seattle.

NEW YORK SERVICE.
 "LYCAON" 9th Mar. New York, Boston & Baltimore.
 "RHESUS" 6th Apr. New York, Boston & Baltimore.

PASSENGER SERVICE.
 "HECTOR" 22nd Feb. Singapore, Marseilles & London.